



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OTTAWA, Tuesday, March 28, 2023

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[*English*]

The Standing Senate Committee on Indigenous Peoples met this day at 9 a.m., in room C128, Senate of Canada Building, the chair, the Honourable Brian Francis, presiding.

Members of the committee present: The Honourable Senators Arnot, Audette, Coyle, Francis, Greenwood, Hartling, LaBoucane-Benson, Sorensen and Tannas (9).

Participating in the meeting: Brittany Collier and Sara Fryer, analysts, Library of Parliament.

Pursuant to the order of reference adopted by the Senate on Thursday, March 3, 2022, the committee continued its examination of the federal government's constitutional, treaty, political and legal responsibilities to First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples and any other subject concerning Indigenous Peoples. (Topic: Canadian Human Rights Framework)

WITNESSES:

Women's Legal Education and Action Fund:

Pam Hrick, Executive Director and General Counsel;

Kienna Shkopich-Hunter, Public Interest Articling Fellow.

As individuals:

Brenda Gunn, Academic and Research Director;

Naiomi Metallic, Professor (*by videoconference*).

Brenda Gunn and Naiomi Metallic each made a statement and answered questions.

At 9:58 a.m., the committee suspended.

At 10:06 a.m., the committee resumed.

Pam Hrick and Kienna Shkopich-Hunter made a statement together and answered questions.

At 10:42 a.m., the committee adjourned to the call of the chair.

ATTEST:

Andrea Mugny

Clerk of the Committee