

## **MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS**

OTTAWA, Wednesday, May 10, 2023 (42)

[English]

The Standing Senate Committee on Indigenous Peoples met this day at 6:45 p.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, Hartling, LaBoucane-Benson, Martin, Moodie, Sorensen and Tannas (10).

Other senators present: The Honourable Senator McCallum (1).

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, May 4, 2023, the committee continued its examination of Bill C-29, An Act to provide for the establishment of a national council for reconciliation.

WITNESSES (by videoconference):

First Nations Education Council:

Denis Gros-Louis, Director General.

Yellowhead Institute:

Ian Mosby, Research collaborator.

Macdonald-Laurier Institute:

Melissa Mbarki, Policy Analyst and Outreach Coordinator, Indigenous Affairs Program.

Indigenous Disability Canada:

Neil Belanger, Chief Executive Officer.

Denis Gros-Louis and Ian Mosby each made a statement and answered questions.

At 7:43 p.m., the committee suspended.

At 7:47 p.m., the committee resumed.

Melissa Mbarki and Neil Belanger each made a statement and answered questions.

At 8:37 p.m., the committee adjourned to the call of the chair.

ATTEST:

Andrea Mugny

Clerk of the Committee