

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OTTAWA, Wednesday, November 29, 2023 (69)

[English]

The Standing Senate Committee on Indigenous Peoples met this day at 6:47 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, Boniface, Coyle, Francis, Greenwood, Patterson (Nunavut) and Prosper (8).

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

Participating in the meeting: Sara Fryer and Robert Mason, analysts, Library of Parliament.

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WITNESSES:

Indigenous Services Canada:

Lori Doran, Director General, Individual Affairs;

John Gordon, Indian Registrar, Individual Affairs.

Lori Doran made a statement and, together with John Gordon, answered questions.

At 7:50 p.m., the committee suspended.

At 7:59 p.m., pursuant to rule 12-16(1)(d), the committee resumed in camera to consider a draft report.

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It was agreed that the committee allow the transcription of the in camera portion of today's meeting, that one copy be kept with the clerk of the committee for consultation by committee members or staff, and that the transcript be destroyed by the clerk when authorized to do so by the Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure, but no later than at the end of this parliamentary session.

At 8:29 p.m., the committee adjourned to the call of the chair.

ATTEST:

Andrea Mugny

Clerk of the Committee