



## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OTTAWA, Wednesday, June 14, 2023

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[*English*]

The Standing Senate Committee on Legal and Constitutional Affairs met this day at 5:01 p.m., in room B30, Senate of Canada Building, the chair, the Honourable Brent Cotter, presiding.

*Members of the committee present:* The Honourable Senators Arnot, Batters, Boisvenu, Busson, Clement, Cotter, Dalphond, Forest, Klyne, Patterson (*Nunavut*), Simons and Tannas (12).

*Participating in the meeting:* Aoife Mc Donald, Administrative Assistant, Committees Directorate; Julian Walker and Michaela Keenan-Pelletier, analysts, Library of Parliament.

Pursuant to the order of reference adopted by the Senate on Tuesday, May 30, 2023, the committee continued its consideration of Bill S-12, An Act to amend the Criminal Code, the Sex Offender Information Registration Act and the International Transfer of Offenders Act.

### WITNESSES:

#### *Royal Canadian Mounted Police:*

Mark Penney, Acting Executive Director, Technical Operations;

Alain Gagnon, Non-Commissioned Officer in charge, National Sex Offender Registry and High-Risk Sex Offender Program.

#### *Canadian Association of Chiefs of Police:*

Francis Lanouette, Chief (*by videoconference*).

#### *Office of the Federal Ombudsperson for Victims of Crime:*

Benjamin Roebuck, Federal Ombudsperson for Victims of Crime.

#### *Criminal Lawyers Association:*

Annamaria Enejajor, Criminal Defence Lawyer.

*#LetHerSpeak/#LetUsSpeak:*

Nina Funnell, Campaign Creator and Manager *(by videoconference)*.

Mark Penney and Francis Lanouette each made a statement and, together with Alain Gagnon, answered questions.

At 6:01 p.m., the committee suspended.

At 6:09 p.m., the committee resumed.

Benjamin Roebuck made a statement and answered questions.

At 7:01 p.m., the committee suspended.

At 7:08 p.m., the committee resumed.

Annamaria Enejajor and Nina Funnell each made a statement and answered questions.

At 8:09 p.m., the committee adjourned to the call of the chair.

*ATTEST:*

Mark Palmer

*Clerk of the Committee*