



## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OTTAWA, Monday, April 25, 2022

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[English]

Pursuant to the order of the Senate of March 31, 2022, the Standing Senate Committee on Official Languages met this day in room W110, 1 Wellington Street, and with videoconference, at 5:03 p.m. ET, the chair, the Honourable René Cormier, presiding.

*Members of the committee present:* The Honourable Senators Clement, Cormier, Dalphond and Gagné (4).

*Members of the committee present by videoconference:* The Honourable Senators Dagenais, Mégie, Mockler, Moncion and Poirier (5).

*Participating in the meeting:* Sara Gajic, Legislative Clerk and Laurie-Anne Spooner, Administrative Assistant, Committees Directorate; Marie-Ève Hudon, Analyst, Library of Parliament.

Pursuant to the order of reference adopted by the Senate on Thursday, February 10, 2022, the committee continued its study of Francophone immigration to minority communities.

*WITNESSES (by videoconference):*

*Société de la francophonie manitobaine:*

Bintou Sacko, Director, Accueil francophone.

*Société Nationale de l'Acadie:*

Martin Théberge, President;

Véronique Mallet, Executive Director.

*Assemblée de la francophonie de l'Ontario:*

Carol Jolin, President;

Peter Hominuk, Executive Director.

*Société de l'Acadie du Nouveau-Brunswick:*

Alexandre Cédric Doucet, Chair;

Ali Chaisson, Executive Director.

Bintou Sacko and Martin Théberge each made a statement and, together with Véronique Mallet, answered questions.

Carol Jolin and Alexandre Cédric Doucet each made a statement and, together with Ali Chaisson and Peter Hominuk, answered questions.

At 7 p.m., the committee adjourned to the call of the chair.

*ATTEST:*

Gaëtane Lemay

*Clerk of the Committee*