



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OTTAWA, Monday, May 30, 2022
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[English]

Pursuant to the order of the Senate of May 5, 2022, the Standing Senate Committee on National Security and Defence met this day in room B45, Senate of Canada Building, and with videoconference at 2:01 p.m. ET, the chair, the Honourable Tony Dean, presiding.

Members of the committee present: The Honourable Senators Boehm, Dalphond, Deacon (*Ontario*), Dean, Jaffer and Yussuff (6).

Members of the committee present by videoconference: The Honourable Senators Anderson, Dagenais, Dasko, Richards, Smith and Wells (6).

Other senators present by videoconference: The Honourable Senator Boniface (1).

Participating in the meeting: Vincent Labrosse, Procedural Clerk and Natacha Umugwaneza, Administrative Assistant, Committees Directorate; Ariel Shapiro and Anne-Marie Therrien-Tremblay, analysts, Library of Parliament.

Pursuant to the order of reference adopted by the Senate on Wednesday, May 11, 2022, the committee began its consideration of Bill S-7, An Act to amend the Customs Act and the Preclearance Act, 2016.

APPEARING:

The Honourable Marco E. L. Mendicino, P.C., M.P., Minister of Public Safety.

WITNESSES:

Public Safety Canada:

Randall Koops, Director General, International and Border Policy Directorate (by videoconference).

Canada Border Services Agency:

Scott Millar, Vice President, Strategic Policy;

Julia Aceti, Director General, Traveler, Commercial, and Trade Policy.

Department of Justice Canada:

Scott Nesbitt, General Counsel, Canada Border Services Agency, Legal Services Unit (by videoconference).

The minister made a statement and, together with Julia Aceti, Scott Millar, Randall Koops and Scott Nesbitt, answered questions.

At 3:01 p.m., the committee suspended.

At 3:02 p.m., the committee resumed.

Scott Millar, Juila Aceti, Randall Koops and Scott Nesbitt answered questions.

At 3:59 p.m., the committee adjourned to the call of the chair.

ATTEST:

Ericka Dupont

Clerk of the Committee