

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OTTAWA, Wednesday, May 10, 2023 (45)

[English]

The Standing Senate Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met this day at 4:01 p.m., in room B45, Senate of Canada Building, the chair, the Honourable Peter M. Boehm, presiding.

Members of the committee present: The Honourable Senators Boehm, Boniface, Coyle, Deacon (*Ontario*), Gerba, Harder, P.C., Housakos, MacDonald, Ravalia, Richards and Woo (11).

Participating in the meeting: Nadia Faucher, Analyst, Library of Parliament.

Pursuant to the order of reference adopted by the Senate on Thursday, February 10, 2022, the committee continued its study on foreign relations and international trade generally. (Topic: Cultural Diplomacy)

WITNESSES:

Global Affairs Canada:

David Morrison, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs;

Jordan Reeves, Director General, Trade Sectors;

Catherine Boucher, Director, Mission Support;

Patrick Riel, Head, Cultural Diplomacy Unit.

Canadian Heritage:

Isabelle Mondou, Deputy Minister;

Joëlle Montminy, Senior Assistant Deputy Minister, Cultural Affairs.

David Morrison and Isabelle Mondou each made a statement and, together with Jordan Reeves and Patrick Riel, answered questions.

At 4:59 p.m., the committee suspended.

At 5:03 p.m., the committee resumed.

Pursuant to the order of reference adopted by the Senate on Thursday, April 27, 2023, the committee began its consideration of the subject matter of those elements contained in Divisions 4, 5 10 and 11 of Part 4, and in Subdivision A of Division 3 of Part 4 of Bill C-47, An Act to implement certain provisions of the budget tabled in Parliament on March 28, 2023.

WITNESSES:

Global Affairs Canada:

Blair Brimmell, Head of Section, Climate and Security, Security and Defence Relations.

Department of Justice Canada:

Michelle Campbell, Counsel, Global Affairs Canada Legal Services.

Department of National Defence and the Canadian Armed Forces:

Ty Curran, Deputy Director General, International Security.

Blair Brimmell made a statement and, together with Ty Curran, answered questions.

At 5:39 p.m., the committee adjourned to the call of the chair.

ATTEST:

Chantal Cardinal

Clerk of the Committee