



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OTTAWA, Thursday, November 23, 2023
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[English]

The Standing Senate Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met this day at 11:30 a.m., in room C128, 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, Greene, Harder, P.C., MacDonald and Ravalia (9).

Participating in the meeting: Nadia Faucher and Zachariah Black, analysts, 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. (Subject: Humanitarian Situation in Gaza)

WITNESSES:

Doctors Without Borders:

Joseph Belliveau, Executive Director;

Dr. Jason Nickerson, Humanitarian Representative to Canada.

UNICEF:

Lana Wreikat, Director ad interim of Emergency Operations (by videoconference).

Oxfam-Québec:

Béatrice Vaugrante, Executive Director;

Céline Füre, Humanitarian Coordinator.

CARE Canada:

Barbara Grantham, President and Chief Executive Officer;

Julie McKinlay, Deputy Director, Humanitarian and Resilience Programs.

Save the Children Canada:

Dalia Al-Awqati, Head of Humanitarian Affairs;

Patrick Robitaille, Senior Advisor, Policy and Government Relations.

Joseph Belliveau and Lana Wreikat each made a statement and, together with Jason Nickerson, answered questions.

At 12:23 p.m., the committee suspended.

At 12:30 p.m., the committee resumed.

Dalia Al-Awqati, Barbara Grantham, Béatrice Vaugrante and Céline Furi each made a statement and, together with Patrick Robitaille and Julie McKinlay, answered questions.

At 1:29 p.m., the committee adjourned to the call of the chair.

ATTEST:

Chantal Cardinal

Clerk of the Committee