



## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OTTAWA, Wednesday, May 8, 2024

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[English]

The Standing Senate Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met this day at 5:29 p.m., in room C128, Senate of Canada Building, the deputy chair, the Honourable Peter Harder, P.C., presiding.

*Members of the committee present:* The Honourable Senators Boniface, Coyle, Deacon (*Ontario*), Gerba, Harder, P.C., MacDonald, Ravalia, Richards and Woo (9).

*Participating in the meeting:* Zachariah Black and Brian Hermon, analysts, Library of Parliament.

Pursuant to the order of reference adopted by the Senate on Thursday, October 26, 2023, the committee continued its study on Canada's interests and engagement in Africa.

### WITNESSES:

#### *Canadian Council on Africa:*

Nola Kianza, President and Chief Executive Officer.

#### *6temik:*

Souad Elmallem, Chief Executive Officer.

#### *As an individual:*

Hippolyte Fofack, Parker Fellow, United Nations Sustainable Development Solutions Network, Columbia University.

Nola Kianza, Souad Elmallem and Hippolyte Fofack each made a statement and answered questions.

At 6:13 p.m., the committee adjourned to the call of the chair.

*ATTEST:*

Chantal Cardinal

*Clerk of the Committee*