

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OTTAWA, Tuesday, December 3, 2024 (104)

[English]

The Standing Senate Committee on Indigenous Peoples met this day at 9:03 a.m., in room C128, Senate of Canada Building, the chair, the Honourable Brian Francis, presiding.

Members of the committee present: The Honourable Senators Arnot, Boniface, Coyle, Deacon (*Ontario*), Francis, Greenwood, McNair, Tannas and White (9).

Participating in the meeting: Sara Fryer and Antoine Csuzdi-Vallée, analysts, Library of Parliament.

Pursuant to the order of reference adopted by the Senate on Thursday, May 30, 2024, the committee continued its consideration of the subject matter of Bill S-268, An Act to amend the Criminal Code and the Indian Act.

WITNESSES:

Mi'gmawe'l Tplu'taqnn Inc.:

Dean Vicaire, Executive Director (by videoconference);

Terry Richardson, Chief, Pabineau First Nation, Board Member.

Whitecap Dakota First Nation:

Darcy Bear, Chief (by videoconference).

Kahkewistahaw First Nation:

Evan Taypotat, Chief.

FHQ eCommerce Ltd:

Edmund Bellegarde, President and Chief Executive Officer, and Chief Executive Officer of Kihew Consulting & Research Inc. (by videoconference).

HLT Advisory Inc.:

Rob Scarpelli, Managing Director (by videoconference).

Chief Terry Richardson, Dean Vicaire, Chief Darcy Bear and Chief Evan Taypotat each made a statement and answered questions.

At 9:54 a.m., the committee suspended.

At 10:02 a.m., the committee resumed.

Edmund Bellegarde and Rob Scarpelli each made a statement and answered questions.

At 10:50 a.m., the committee adjourned to the call of the chair.

ATTEST:

Sébastien Payet

Clerk of the Committee