



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OTTAWA, Wednesday, October 5, 2022

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[English]

The Standing Senate Committee on Indigenous Peoples met this day at 6:50 p.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, Francis, Lovelace Nicholas, Martin, Pate and Patterson (8).

Participating in the meeting: Brittany Collier and Sara Fryer, analysts, Library of Parliament.

Pursuant to the order of reference adopted by the Senate on Thursday, March 3, 2022, the committee continued its examination on the federal government's constitutional, treaty, political and legal responsibilities to First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples and any other subject concerning Indigenous Peoples. (Subject: Follow up on the Cannabis Act)

WITNESSES:

Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke:

Tonya Perron, Chief.

Tseshah First Nation:

Wahmeesh [Ken Watts], Elected Chief Councillor (by videoconference).

First Nations Tax Commission:

Manny Jules, Chief Commissioner (by videoconference).

Miawpukek First Nations:

David Joe, Operational Manager (by videoconference).

Tonya Perron and Wahmeesh [Ken Watts] each made a statement and answered questions.

At 7:40 p.m., the committee suspended.

At 7:43 p.m., the committee resumed.

Manny Jules made a statement.

At 7:50 p.m., the committee suspended.

At 7:52 p.m., the committee resumed.

Manny Jules answered questions.

At 8:24 p.m., the committee suspended.

At 8:29 p.m., pursuant to rule 12-16(1)(d), the committee resumed in camera to discuss a draft report.

It was agreed that the committee allow the transcription of the in camera portion of today's meeting, that one copy be kept with the clerk of the committee for consultation by committee members or their staff, the members of the Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure or by the committee analysts; and that the transcript be destroyed by the clerk when authorized to do so by the Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure, but no later than at the end of this parliamentary session.

At 8:41 p.m., the committee adjourned to the call of the chair.

ATTEST:

Andrea Mugny

Clerk of the Committee