



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OTTAWA, Wednesday, May 22, 2024
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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, Coyle, Francis, Hartling, Martin, McNair, Prosper, Sorensen 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, November 30, 2023, the committee continued its examination of the implementation of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples Act, 2021 by Canada and First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples.

WITNESSES:

Indigenous Bar Association:

Brenda Gunn, Professor (*by videoconference*).

As individuals:

Tuma Thomas William Young, K.C., Lawyer, Smith Law and Professor, L'nu Studies, Cape Breton University;

Ken Coates, Professor, Indigenous Governance Program, Yukon University (*by videoconference*).

Brenda Gunn, Ken Coates and Tuma Thomas William Young each made a statement and answered questions.

At 7:59 p.m., the committee suspended.

At 8:08 p.m., pursuant to rule 12-16(1)(d), the committee resumed in camera to discuss a draft agenda (future business).

It was agreed that the committee allow the audio recording of the in camera portion of today's meeting, that a copy be kept with the clerk of the committee for consultation by committee members or staff, and that the audio recording 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 8:31 p.m., the committee adjourned to the call of the chair.

ATTEST:

Andrea Mugny

Clerk of the Committee