



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OTTAWA, Wednesday, November 30, 2022
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The Standing Senate Committee on National Finance met this day at 6:49 p.m., in room W120, 1 Wellington St., the chair, the Honourable Percy Mockler, presiding.

Members of the committee present: The Honourable Senators Bellemare, Boehm, Dagenais, Duncan, Gignac, Loffreda, Marshall, Mockler, Moncion, Omidvar and Smith (11).

In attendance: Tracy Amendola, Administrative Assistant, Committees Directorate; Shaowei Pu and Sylvain Fleury, Analysts, Parliamentary Information and Research Services, Library of Parliament.

Pursuant to the order of reference adopted by the Senate on Tuesday, November 22, 2022, the committee began its examination of the Supplementary Estimates (B) for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2023.

WITNESSES:

Treasury Board of Canada Secretariat:

Annie Boudreau, Assistant Secretary, Expenditure Management Sector;

Carole Bidal, Associate Assistant Deputy Minister, Employee Relations and Total Compensation;

Karen Cahill, Assistant Secretary and Chief Financial Officer *(by videoconference)*;

Monia Lahaie, Assistant Comptroller General, Financial Management Sector, Office of the Comptroller General *(by videoconference)*;

Samantha Tattersall, Assistant Comptroller General, Acquired Services and Assets Sector, Office of the Comptroller General *(by videoconference)*;

Paul Wagner, Assistant Deputy Minister, Strategy and Transformation, Office of the Chief Information Officer *(by videoconference)*;

Kelly Acton, Assistant Deputy Minister, Policy and Performance Sector *(by videoconference)*;

Rod Greenough, Executive Director, Expenditure Strategies and Estimates *(by videoconference)*.

Indigenous Services Canada:

Philippe Thompson, Chief Finances, Results and Delivery Officer;

Keith Conn, Assistant Deputy Minister, First Nations and Inuit Health Branch *(by videoconference)*;

Paula Hadden-Jokiel, Associate Assistant Deputy Minister, Regional Operations Sector *(by videoconference)*;

Catherine Lappe, Assistant Deputy Minister, Child and Family Services Reform Sector *(by videoconference)*;

David Peckham, Assistant Deputy Minister, Education and Social Development Programs Sector and Partnerships Sector *(by videoconference)*;

Jessica Sultan, Director General, Economic and Business Opportunities *(by videoconference)*.

Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada:

Hughes St-Pierre, Assistant Deputy Minister of the Finance, Security and Administration Sector, and Chief Financial Officer *(by videoconference)*;

Daniel Mills, Senior Assistant Deputy Minister, Operations *(by videoconference)*;

Marian Campbell Jarvis, Senior Assistant Deputy Minister, Strategic and Program Policy *(by videoconference)*;

Selena Beattie, Director General, Policy and Outreach Branch *(by videoconference)*.

Global Affairs Canada:

Annie Boyer, Acting Assistant Deputy Minister and Chief Financial Officer;

Peter Lundy, Director General, Indo-Pacific Strategy Secretariat;

Kati Csaba, Executive Director, Ukraine Strategy action team;

Tara Carney, Director, International Humanitarian Assistance (Africa, Middle East);

Manon Souigny, Director Planning and Ressource Management.

Public Safety Canada:

Patrick Amyot, Assistant Deputy Minister, Chief Financial Officer and Chief Security Officer *(by videoconference)*;

Sébastien Aubertin-Giguère, Assistant Deputy Minister, National and Cyber Security Branch *(by videoconference)*;

Greg Kenney, Assistant Deputy Minister, Firearms Program *(by videoconference)*;

Chris Moran, Assistant Deputy Minister, Indigenous Secretariat *(by videoconference)*;

Chad Westmacott, Director General, Community Safety, Corrections and Criminal Justice, Crime Prevention Branch *(by videoconference)*;

Mauricette Howlett, Director General, Programs, Emergency Management and Programs Branch *(by videoconference)*;

Martin Joyal, Director General, Policy, Planning and Priorities, Portfolio Affairs and Communications Branch *(by videoconference)*.

Annie Boudreau and Philippe Thompson each made a statement and, together with Keith Conn, Carole Bidal, Paula Hadden-Jokiel and Paul Wagner, answered questions.

At 7:58 p.m., the committee suspended.

At 8:06 p.m., the committee resumed.

Hugues St-Pierre, Annie Boyer and Patrick Amyot each made a statement and, together with Daniel Mills, Greg Kenney, Kati Csaba, Tara Carney and Chad Westmacott, answered questions.

At 9:02 p.m., the committee adjourned to the call of the chair.

ATTEST:

Mireille K. Aubé

Clerk of the Committee