

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OTTAWA, Thursday, September 29, 2022 (11)

[English]

The Standing Senate Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met in camera this day at 10:07 a.m., in room W120, 1 Wellington Street, the chair, the Honourable Fabian Manning, presiding.

Members of the committee present: The Honourable Senators Busson, Cordy, Kutcher, Manning, Quinn and Ravalia (6).

Participating in the meeting: Sébastien Payet, Procedural Clerk and Annie Trudel, Administrative Assistant, Committees Directorate; Daniele Lafrance, Analyst, Library of Parliament.

Pursuant to rule 12-16(1)(d), the committee discussed in camera a draft agenda (future business).

At 10:27 a.m., the committee suspended.

At 10:35 a.m., the committee resumed.

It was agreed that the chair be authorized to seek authority from the Senate for the following order of reference:

That the Standing Senate Committee on Fisheries and Oceans be authorized to examine and report on Canada's seal populations and their effect on Canada's fisheries, including but not limited to:

- (a) How Canada's seal populations have been managed by the federal government thus far;
- (b) The identification of the most appropriate and effective ways of managing seal populations going forward;
- (c) How Canada determines research priorities and funding allocations for research related to seals, and any research and/or funding gaps; and

That the committee submit its final report to the Senate no later than December 31, 2023, and that the committee retain all powers necessary to publicize its findings for 180 days after the tabling of the final report.

At 10:41 a.m., the committee adjourned to the call of the chair.

ATTEST:

Sara Gajic

Clerk of the Committee