



## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

ST. JOHN'S, Wednesday, September 13, 2023

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[English]

The Standing Senate Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met this day at 12:50 p.m. NT, in Salon A, Sheraton Hotel Newfoundland, the chair, the Honourable Fabian Manning, presiding.

*Members of the committee present:* The Honourable Senators Ataullahjan, Busson, Cordy, Duncan, Francis, Manning, McPhedran, Patterson (*Ontario*) and Quinn (9).

*Other senators present:* The Honourable Senator Petten (1).

*Participating in the meeting:* Daniele LaFrance, Analyst, Library of Parliament; Ben Silverman, Communications Officer, Communications, Broadcasting and Publications Directorate.

Pursuant to the order of reference adopted by the Senate on Tuesday, October 4, 2022, the committee continued its examination of Canada's seal populations and seal harvest.

*WITNESSES:*

*Qalipu First Nation:*

Jenny Brake, Western Vice Chief.

*Waspu Oil:*

Bill Penney, Business Development Seal Products, Mi'kmaq Commercial Fisheries.

*Craft Council of Newfoundland and Labrador:*

Rowena House, Executive Director;

Bruno Vinhas, Events and Outreach Director.

*Sherry's Seal Skin Arts:*

Sherry Turnbull, Owner.

*Always in Vogue:*

Darren Halloran, Store Owner.

*Carino Processing Ltd.:*

Dion Dakins, Chief Executive Officer.

*Fur Institute of Canada:*

Doug Chiasson, Executive Director.

*As an individual:*

Morley Knight, Fisheries Consultant and Former Assistant Deputy Minister of Fisheries Policy,  
Department of Fisheries and Oceans.

Vice Chief Jenny Brake and Bill Penney each made a statement and answered questions.

At 1:48 p.m., the committee suspended.

At 2:17 p.m., the committee resumed.

Rowena House, Bruno Vinhas, Sherry Turnbull, Dion Dakins, Darren Halloran, Morley Knight and  
Doug Chiasson each made a statement and answered questions.

At 5:41 p.m., the committee adjourned to the call of the chair.

*ATTEST:*

Sara Gajic

*Clerk of the Committee*