



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OTTAWA, Monday, February 6, 2023

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[English]

The Standing Senate Committee on Human Rights met this day at 4:01 p.m., in room B45, Senate of Canada Building, the chair, the Honourable Salma Ataullahjan, presiding.

Members of the committee present: The Honourable Senators Arnot, Bernard, Gerba, Hartling and Omidvar (5).

Participating in the meeting: Robert Mason and Brendan Naef, analysts, Library of Parliament.

Pursuant to the order of reference adopted by the Senate on Thursday, March 3, 2022, the committee continued its study of such issues as may arise from time to time relating to human rights generally. (Topic: Islamophobia in Canada)

WITNESSES (by videoconference):

As individuals:

Jasmin Zine, Professor of Sociology, Religion and Culture, Muslim Studies Option, Wilfrid-Laurier University;

Barbara Perry, Professor and Director, Centre on Hate, Bias and Extremism, Faculty of Social Science and Humanities, Ontario Tech University;

Fatima Coovadia, Commissioner, Saskatchewan Human Rights Commission;

Shahina Siddiqui, Co-Founder and Volunteer Executive Director, Islamic Social Services Association.

Jasmin Zine and Barbara Perry each made a statement and answered questions.

At 5:26 p.m., the committee suspended.

At 5:35 p.m., the committee resumed.

Fatima Coovadia and Shahina Siddiqui each made a statement and answered questions.

At 6:29 p.m., the committee adjourned to the call of the chair.

ATTEST:

Sébastien Payet

Clerk of the Committee