



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OTTAWA, Monday, June 3, 2024

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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, Ataullahjan, Gerba, Jaffer, Omidvar and Pate (6).

Other senators present: The Honourable Senators Burey and Mégie (2).

Participating in the meeting: Robert Mason and Laura Salter, 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: Forced Global Displacement)

WITNESSES:

Global Affairs Canada:

The Honourable Robert Rae, P.C., Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Canada to the United Nations in New York (*by videoconference*);

Matthieu Kimmell, Director, Humanitarian Policy (*by videoconference*).

Immigration and Refugee Board of Canada:

Manon Brassard, Chairperson and Chief Executive Officer;

Roger Ermuth, Executive Director.

The Honourable Robert Rae, P.C., made a statement and, together with Matthieu Kimmell, answered questions.

At 5:04 p.m., the committee suspended.

At 5:10 p.m., the committee resumed.

Manon Brassard made a statement and, together with Roger Ermuth, answered questions.

At 5:55 p.m., the committee suspended.

At 6:06 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 one copy be kept with the clerk of the committee for consultation by committee members or by the committee analysts, 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 6:58 p.m., the committee suspended.

At 7:12 p.m., the committee resumed in public.

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WITNESS:

Center for Civil Liberties:

Oleksandra Matviichuk, Chairwoman.

Oleksandra Matviichuk made a statement and answered questions.

At 7:46 p.m., the committee adjourned to the call of the chair.

ATTEST:

Sébastien Payet

Clerk of the Committee