

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OTTAWA, Monday, March 18, 2024 (50)

[English]

The Standing Senate Committee on National Security, Defence and Veterans Affairs met this day at 4 p.m., in room C128, Senate of Canada Building, the chair, the Honourable Tony Dean, presiding.

Members of the committee present: The Honourable Senators Anderson, Boehm, Cardozo, Dagenais, Dasko, Deacon (Ontario), Dean, Kutcher, Oh, Patterson and Yussuff (11).

Other senators present: The Honourable Senator Gignac (1).

Participating in the meeting: Ariel Shapiro and Anne-Marie Therrien-Tremblay, analysts, Library of Parliament; Ben Silverman, Communications Officer, Communications Directorate.

Pursuant to the order of reference adopted by the Senate on Thursday, February 10, 2022, the committee continued its study on issues relating to national security and defence generally.

WITNESSES:

As individuals:

Yann Breault, Assistant Professor, Royal Military College of Saint-Jean (by videoconference).

Andrew Rasiulis, Fellow, Canadian Global Affairs Institute;

Dominique Arel, Chairholder, Chair of Ukrainian Studies, University of Ottawa.

Magdalena Dembińska, Full Professor, Department of Political Science, Université de Montréal (by videoconference).

Justin Massie, Full Professor, Department of Political Science, Université du Québec à Montréal (by videoconference).

Yann Breault and Dominique Arel each made a statement and answered questions.

At 5:01 p.m., the committee suspended.

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

Andrew Rasiulis and Magdalena Dembińska each made a statement and answered questions.

At 6:10 p.m., the committee suspended.

At 6:20 p.m., the committee resumed.

Justin Massie made a statement.

At 6:28 p.m., the committee suspended.

At 6:30 p.m., the committee resumed.

Justin Massie answered questions.

At 7:19 p.m., the committee adjourned to the call of the chair.

ATTEST:

Ericka Dupont

Clerk of the Committee