



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OTTAWA, Wednesday, October 19, 2022

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[*English*]

The Standing Senate Committee on Social Affairs, Science and Technology met this day at 4 p.m., in room B45, Senate of Canada Building, the chair, the Honourable Ratna Omidvar, presiding.

Members of the committee present: The Honourable Senators Bovey, Brazeau, Cordy, Dasko, Kutcher, Martin, McPhedran, Mégie, Omidvar, Patterson, Petitclerc and Verner, P.C. (12).

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

Participating in the meeting: Laura Blackmore, Analyst, Library of Parliament.

Pursuant to the order of reference adopted by the Senate on Thursday, April 28, 2022, the committee continued its study on the Federal Framework for Suicide Prevention.

WITNESSES:

Métis National Council:

Wendy Stewart, Director, Community Wellbeing Branch, Métis Nation of Ontario.

National Association of Friendship Centres:

Jocelyn W. Formsma, Executive Director (*by videoconference*).

Inuit Tapiriit Kanatami:

Natan Obed, President;

Daniel Afram, Senior Policy Advisor.

As an individual:

Dr. Polina Anang, Assistant Professor of Psychiatry, Max Rady College of Medicine, University of Manitoba (*by videoconference*).

Wendy Stewart and Jocelyn W. Formsma each made a statement and answered questions.

At 5:02 p.m., the committee suspended.

At 5:06 p.m., the committee resumed.

Natan Obed and Polina Anang each made a statement and answered questions.

At 5:59 p.m., the committee adjourned to the call of the chair.

ATTEST:

Emily Barrette

Clerk of the Committee