



## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OTTAWA, Wednesday, November 20, 2024

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[English]

The Standing Senate Committee on Transport and Communications met this day at 6:48 p.m., in room B45, Senate of Canada Building, the chair, the Honourable Leo Housakos, presiding.

*Members of the committee present:* The Honourable Senators Cardozo, Clement, Cuzner, Dasko, Housakos, Miville-Dechêne, Quinn and Simons (8).

*Participating in the meeting:* Jed Chong and Khamla Heminthavong, analysts, Library of Parliament.

Pursuant to the order of reference adopted by the Senate on Thursday, February 10, 2022, the committee continued its study on matters relating to transport and communications generally. (Topic: Local services provided by CBC/Radio-Canada)

WITNESSES:

*Fentunes Media:*

Richard Fenton, Founder and President.

*Assemblée communautaire fransaskoise:*

Denis Simard, President *(by videoconference)*;

Marc Masson, Political Analyst and media contact *(by videoconference)*.

*Fédération des francophones de la Colombie-Britannique:*

Marie-Nicole Dubois, Chair of the Board of Directors *(by videoconference)*;

Emmanuelle Corne Bertrand, Executive Director *(by videoconference)*.

*Association canadienne-française de l'Alberta:*

Nathalie Lachance, President *(by videoconference)*;

Isabelle Laurin, Executive Director *(by videoconference)*.

*As an individual:*

Havoc Franklin, Board Member, Canadian Journalists for Free Expression.

Richard Fenton and Havoc Franklin each made a statement and answered questions.

At 7:52 p.m., the committee suspended.

At 7:57 p.m., the committee resumed.

Denis Simard, Marie-Nicole Dubois and Nathalie Lachance each made a statement and, together with Emmanuelle Corne Bertrand, Isabelle Laurin and Marc Masson, answered questions.

At 8:48 p.m., the committee adjourned to the call of the chair.

*ATTEST:*

Angus Wilson

*Clerk of the Committee*