



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OTTAWA, Thursday, November 6, 2025

(11)

[English]

The Standing Senate Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met this day at 10:31 a.m., in room C128, Senate of Canada Building, the chair, the Honourable Peter M. Boehm, presiding.

Members of the committee present: The Honourable Senators Adler, Al Zaibak, Ataullahjan, Boehm, Coyle, Harder, P.C., Hébert, MacDonald, Ravalia, Wilson and Woo (12).

Other senators present: The Honourable Senators Lewis, Papatello and Robinson (3).

Participating in the meeting: Brian Hermon and Zachariah Black, Analysts, Library of Parliament.

Pursuant to the order of reference adopted by the Senate on Thursday, September 25, 2025, the committee continued its study of foreign relations and international trade generally. (Topic: CUSMA and Canada's trade relationships with the United States and Mexico)

WITNESSES:

Canadian Chamber of Commerce:

Catherine Fortin Lefavre, Senior Vice President, International Policy & Global Partnerships;

Gaphel Kongtsa, Director, International Policy.

Canadian Manufacturers and Exporters:

Ryan Greer, Senior Vice President, Public Affairs and National Policy.

Canadian Agri-Food Trade Alliance:

Michael Harvey, Executive Director.

Canadian Cattle Association:

Tyler Fulton, President *(by videoconference)*;

Dennis Laycraft, Executive Vice President *(by videoconference)*.

Grain Growers of Canada:

Kyle Larkin, Executive Director.

Catherine Fortin Lefaiivre, Gaphel Kongtsa and Ryan Greer each made a statement and answered questions.

At 11:29 a.m., the committee suspended.

At 11:35 a.m., the committee resumed.

Michael Harvey, Tyler Fulton and Kyle Larkin each made a statement and, together with Dennis Laycraft, answered questions.

At 12:30 p.m., the committee adjourned to the call of the chair.

ATTEST:

Chantal Cardinal

Clerk of the Committee