

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OTTAWA, Wednesday, June 18, 2025 (4)

[English]

The Standing Senate Committee on National Finance met this day at 11:02 a.m., in room B45, Senate of Canada Building, the chair, the Honourable Claude Carignan, P.C., presiding.

Members of the committee present: The Honourable Senators Carignan, P.C., Dalphond, Forest, Galvez, Kingston, Loffreda, MacAdam, Marshall, Moreau, Pate and Pupatello (11).

Participating in the meeting: Sylvain Fleury and Michaël Lambert-Racine, analysts, Library of Parliament.

Pursuant to the order of reference adopted by the Senate on Thursday, May 29, 2025, the committee continued its examination of expenditures set out in the Main Estimates for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2026, with the exception of Library of Parliament Vote 1.

Pursuant to the order of reference adopted by the Senate on Wednesday, June 11, 2025, the committee continued its examination of the Supplementary Estimates (A) for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2026.

WITNESSES:

Treasury Board of Canada Secretariat:

Karine Paré, Executive Director, Expenditure Management Sector;

Andres Velez-Guerra, Executive Director, Expenditure Management Sector;

Emilio Franco, Executive Director, Investment Management Sector;

Annie Boyer, Assistant Secretary and Chief Financial Officer;

David Prest, Assistant Deputy Minister, Employee Relations and Total Compensation;

Vidya ShankarNarayan, Senior Assistant Deputy Minister, People and Culture;

Stephen Burt, Chief Data Officer and Assistant Deputy Minister, Policy and Performance Sector, Office of the Chief Information Officer;

Michael DeJong, Assistant Secretary, Regulatory Affairs.

Public Safety Canada:

Patrick Amyot, Assistant Deputy Minister, Corporate Management Branch and Chief Financial Officer;

Marcia Jones, Director General, Program Planning and Implementation;

Chad Westmacott, Director General, Community Safety, Corrections and Criminal Justice;

Colin MacSween, Director General, National Cyber Security Branch;

Douglas May, Acting Director General, Programs, Emergency Management and Programs Branch;

Kenza El Bied, Director General, Policy and Outreach, Emergency Management and Programs Branch.

Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada:

Nathalie Manseau, Assistant Deputy Minister and Chief Financial Officer;

Louise Baird, Senior Assistant Deputy Minister, Strategic Policy;

Pemi Gill, Assistant Deputy Minister, Service Delivery;

Jean-Marc Gionet, Acting Assistant Deputy Minister, Protection and Family Programs.

Karine Paré made a statement and, together with Andres Velez-Guerra, Emilio Franco, David Prest, Annie Boyer, Stephen Burt, Vidya ShankarNarayan and Michael DeJong, answered questions.

At 12:02 p.m., the committee suspended.

At 12:06 p.m., the committee resumed.

Patrick Amyot made a statement and, together with Marcia Jones, Chad Westmacott, Douglas May, Kenza El Bied and Colin MacSween, answered questions.

At 1:02 p.m., the committee suspended.

At 1:08 p.m., the committee resumed.

Nathalie Manseau made a statement and, together with Louise Baird, Jean-Marc Gionet and Pemi Gill, answered questions.

At 2:01 p.m., the committee adjourned to the call of the chair.

ATTEST:

Sara Gajic

Clerk of the Committee