



## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OTTAWA, Tuesday, March 24, 2026  
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[English]

The Standing Senate Committee on National Finance met this day at 5:09 p.m., in room W120, 1 Wellington St., the chair, the Honourable Claude Carignan, P.C., presiding.

*Members of the committee present:* The Honourable Senators Cardozo, Carignan, P.C., Dalphond, Forest, Galvez, Gignac, Hébert, MacAdam and Ross (9).

*Other senators present:* The Honourable Senator Papatello (1).

*Participating in the meeting:* Michaël Lambert-Racine and André Léonard, Analysts, Library of Parliament.

Pursuant to the order of reference adopted by the Senate on Tuesday, February 24, 2026, the committee continued its examination of the Supplementary Estimates (C) for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2026.

### WITNESSES:

#### *Veterans Affairs Canada:*

Pierre Tessier, Assistant Deputy Minister, Chief Financial Officer and Corporate Services Branch;

Julie Drury, Acting Director General, Policy and Research Division.

#### *Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada:*

Annie Rémillard, Acting Assistant Deputy Minister and Chief Financial Officer.

#### *Public Services and Procurement Canada:*

Lorenzo Ieraci, Assistant Deputy Minister, Policy, Planning and Communications;

Eugene Gourevich, Director, Postal Affairs.

Pierre Tessier, Annie Rémillard and Lorenzo Ieraci each made a statement and, together with Eugene Gouvrevich and Julie Drury, answered questions.

At 6:07 p.m., the committee adjourned to the call of the chair.

*ATTEST:*

Sara Gajic

*Clerk of the Committee*