



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OTTAWA, Wednesday, February 11, 2026
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[English]

The Standing Senate Committee on National Security, Defence and Veterans Affairs met this day at 11:34 a.m., in room B45, Senate of Canada Building, the chair, the Honourable Hassan Yussuff, presiding.

Members of the committee present: The Honourable Senators Al Zaibak, Anderson, Carignan, P.C., Dasko, Deacon (*Ontario*), Kutcher, McNair, White, Wilson, Youance and Yussuff (11).

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

Participating in the meeting: Ariel Shapiro and Anne-Marie Therrien-Tremblay, Analysts, Library of Parliament.

Pursuant to the order of reference adopted by the Senate on Thursday, February 5, 2026, the committee continued its consideration of Bill C-12, An Act respecting certain measures relating to the security of Canada's borders and the integrity of the Canadian immigration system and respecting other related security measures.

WITNESSES:

Assembly of First Nations:

Grand Chief Cody Diabo, Mohawk Council of Kahnawa:ke (*by videoconference*).

Privy Council Office:

Kevin Brosseau, Commissioner of Canada's Fight Against Fentanyl.

Canadian Drug Policy Coalition:

Nick Boyce, Policy Director.

As an individual:

Rob Huebert, Professor, Director, Centre for Military, Security and Strategic Studies, University of Calgary (*by videoconference*).

Grand Chief Cody Diabo made a statement and answered questions.

At 12:14 p.m., the committee suspended.

At 12:24 p.m., the committee resumed.

Kevin Brosseau made a statement and answered questions.

At 1:16 p.m., the committee suspended.

At 1:24 p.m., the committee resumed.

Nick Boyce and Rob Huebert each made a statement and answered questions.

At 1:54 p.m., the committee adjourned to the call of the chair.

ATTEST:

Chantal Cardinal

Clerk of the Committee