



## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OTTAWA, Wednesday, April 15, 2026  
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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 Larry W. Smith, presiding.

*Members of the committee present:* The Honourable Senators Arnold, Aucoin, Dasko, Lewis, Miville-Dechéne, Mohamed, Petitclerc, Simons, Smith and Wilson (10).

*Participating in the meeting:* Geneviève Gosselin and Marion Ménard, Analysts, Library of Parliament.

Pursuant to the order of reference adopted by the Senate on Thursday, October 30, 2025, the committee continued its study on the opportunities and challenges of artificial intelligence (AI) in the information and communication technology sector.

### WITNESSES:

#### *ControlAI:*

Connor Leahy, United States Director (*by videoconference*).

#### *OpenMedia:*

Matthew Hatfield, Executive Director (*by videoconference*).

#### *Canadian Internet Society:*

Brent Arnold, Chair.

#### *As individuals:*

Emily Laidlaw, Canadian Research Chair in Cybersecurity Law, Associate Professor, University of Calgary;

Jared Moore, PhD Student, Stanford University (*by videoconference*);

Desmond Ong, Assistant Professor, Psychology, University of Texas at Austin (*by videoconference*);

Dr. Eric Lin, Psychiatrist, Stanford University (*by videoconference*).

Emily Laidlaw and Connor Leahy each made a statement and answered questions.

At 7:45 p.m., the committee suspended.

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

Matt Hatfield, Brent Arnold and Jared Moore each made a statement and, together with Desmond Ong and Eric Lin, answered questions.

At 8:47 p.m., the committee adjourned to the call of the chair.

*ATTEST:*

Andrea Mugny

*Clerk of the Committee*