



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OTTAWA, Wednesday, April 15, 2026

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[English]

The Subcommittee on Veterans Affairs met this day at 12 p.m., in room B45, Senate of Canada Building, the chair, the Honourable Dawn Anderson, presiding.

Members of the committee present: The Honourable Senators Anderson, Ince, MacAdam, McNair and White (5).

Participating in the meeting: Diana Ambrozias, Analyst, Library of Parliament.

Pursuant to the order of reference adopted by the Senate on Thursday, March 12, 2026, the subcommittee began its consideration of issues relating to Veterans Affairs, including services and benefits provided, commemorative activities, and the continuing implementation of the *Veterans Well-being Act*.

WITNESSES:

Office of the Veterans' Ombud:

Colonel (Ret'd) Nishika Jardine, Veterans Ombud;

Duane Schippers, Deputy Veterans Ombud.

Colonel (Ret'd) Nishika Jardine made a statement and, together with Duane Schippers, answered questions.

At 12:42 p.m., the subcommittee adjourned to the call of the chair.

ATTEST:

Ericka Paajanen

Clerk of the Subcommittee