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Pursuant to Standing Order 107(3) the Committee has agreed to report the following:

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## INTRODUCTION

One of the Liaison Committee's main responsibilities is to apportion to standing committees the funding allocated for their activities, including travel and studies approved by their members. In recent years, the Liaison Committee has initiated various updates to the administrative practices and funding policies that govern the activities of standing committees.

Facing tighter budget constraints, the members of the Liaison Committee approved the implementation of management best practices to ensure available budgets and standing committee expenditures meet expectations regarding the value of goods and services received.

To that end, this document gives members of Parliament and the general public a clearer view of all the information on committee budgets and activities relating to studies, consideration of bills and committee travel over the period covered by this report. This report highlights the work and accomplishments of each committee and references the budgets that fund the activities approved by committee members. Furthermore, it complements the up-to-date information provided monthly to committee chairs. It is the Liaison Committee's intention to present such reports on committee activities and expenditures three times a year: in January, May and September.

The present report covers the first nine months of the fiscal year from April 1 to December 31, 2013. During this period, a total of 644 committee meetings were held, 1,980 witnesses were heard and 96 reports were presented to the House.

For further information, please contact the Liaison Committee at [LIAI@parl.gc.ca](mailto:LIAI@parl.gc.ca).

## STANDING COMMITTEE ON ABORIGINAL AFFAIRS AND NORTHERN DEVELOPMENT (AANO)

From April 1 to June 30, 2013, the Committee studied Bill C-428, An Act to Amend the Indian Act (Publication of By-Laws) and to provide for its replacement; Bill S-8, An Act Respecting the Safety of Drinking Water on First Nation Lands; and Bill C-62, An Act to give effect to the Yale First Nation Final Agreement and to make consequential amendments to other Acts. All bills were reported back to the House of Commons.

In the period from July to December 2013, the Committee continued its study of *Land-Use and Sustainable Economic Development*. It also considered the Supplementary Estimates (B) 2013-14 under Indian Affairs and Northern Development and Bill C-9, An Act respecting the election and term of office of chiefs and councillors, which it reported to the House. The Committee also began consideration of Bill C-15, the Northwest Territories Devolution Act.

### MEMBERSHIP (as of December 10, 2013)

Chris Warkentin (Chair), Jean Crowder (Vice-Chair), Carolyn Bennett (Vice-Chair), Diane Ablonczy, Dennis Bevington, Ray Boughen, Rob Clarke, Jonathan Genest-Jourdain, Jim Hillyer, Carol Hughes, Kyle Seeback, Mark Strahl

### EXPENDITURES (April 1 to December 31, 2013)

STUDY NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER <sup>1</sup>	TOTAL <sup>2</sup>
Bill C-428	9,791	351	435	10,577
Bill C-47	8,246	-	-	8,246
Bill C-62	2,469	-	49	2,519
Bill C-9	5,372	-	394	5,766
Bill S-8	13,934	698	197	14,829
Land-Use and Sustainable Economic Development	2,789	890	53	3,732
Yale First Nation Final Agreement Act	4,351	-	49	4,400
Operational Budget <sup>3</sup>	-	-	53	53
<b>TOTAL<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>46,952</b>	<b>1,939</b>	<b>1,230</b>	<b>50,121</b>

<sup>1</sup>"Other" (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

<sup>2</sup>Differences in totals are due to rounding.

<sup>3</sup>"Operational budget" contains expenditures for cases where no separate funding request has been made in relation to a study or an activity of a committee.

**STANDING COMMITTEE ON ABORIGINAL AFFAIRS AND NORTHERN DEVELOPMENT (AANO) (CONT'D)**

**MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1 to December 31, 2013)**

STANDING COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEE	NUMBER OF MEETINGS			NUMBER OF WITNESSES	NUMBER OF REPORTS
	Total	Televised	Video conference		
Standing Committee (AANO)	23	5	4	97	5
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SAAN)	9	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>5</b>



## STANDING COMMITTEE ON ACCESS TO INFORMATION, PRIVACY AND ETHICS (ETHI)

The Standing Committee on Access to Information, Privacy and Ethics undertook and completed the statutory review of the *Conflict of Interest Act*. In addition, the Committee was able to study and report on the sections of the Main Estimates 2013-14 under Justice, Parliament and Treasury Board referred to it. Another piece of the Committee's work during this period was the study of its first piece of legislation in this Parliament. The Committee studied Bill C-461, An Act to amend the Access to Information Act and the Privacy Act (disclosure of information), and reported the bill back to the House with amendments.

In the period from July to December 2013, a new Chair, Mr. Pat Martin, was elected. The Committee completed its report on the statutory review of the *Conflict of Interest Act*.

### MEMBERSHIP (as of December 10, 2013)

Pat Martin (Chair), Patricia Davidson (Vice-Chair), Scott Andrews (Vice-Chair), Charlie Angus, Charmaine Borg, Paul Calandra, John Carmichael, Earl Dreeshen, Jacques Gourde, Colin Mayes, Tilly O'Neill Gordon, Mathieu Ravignat

### EXPENDITURES (April 1 to December 31, 2013)

STUDY NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER <sup>1</sup>	TOTAL <sup>2</sup>
Statutory Review of the Conflict of Interest Act	524	-	439	963
Operational Budget <sup>3</sup>	-	-	712	712
<b>TOTAL<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>524</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,151</b>	<b>1,675</b>

<sup>1</sup>"Other" (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

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### MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1 to December 31, 2013)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEE	NUMBER OF MEETINGS			NUMBER OF WITNESSES	NUMBER OF REPORTS
	Total	Televised	Video conference		
Standing Committee (ETHI)	23	11	-	31	3
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>3</b>

## STANDING COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND AGRI-FOOD (AGRI)

The Standing Committee on Agriculture and Agri-Food continued its large scale study of the *Agriculture and Agri-food Products Supply Chain*, hearing witnesses in relation to grains and oilseeds, the beverage sector and animal welfare. In anticipation of the House adjourning for the summer, the Committee tabled part 1 of its report on that study entitled “*Toward a Common Goal: Canada’s Food Supply Chain — Part 1*”. This report included all of the sections completed to date with the exception of the animal welfare component. The Committee also held meetings as a follow-up to the study of the *Losses in Honey Bee Colonies* which began last summer. The purpose of these meetings was to speak with stakeholders and learn what has happened in the last year on this file.

In the period from July to December 2013, the Committee elected a new chair, Mr. Bev Shipley. On November 5, the Committee began a study of the *Canada-European Union Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA) and its Impact on the Canadian Agriculture Sector*. The Committee met eight times to hear from witnesses for this study. On December 2 and 3, Committee members visited Washington, DC, to discuss the changes made to the American Country of Origin Labelling (COOL) rules with members of Congress and representatives of agricultural organizations.

### MEMBERSHIP (as of December 10, 2013)

Bev Shipley (Chair), Malcolm Allen (Vice-Chair), Mark Eyking (Vice-Chair), Alex Atamanenko, Ruth Ellen Brosseau, Richard M. Harris, Randy Hoback, Pierre Lemieux, LaVar Payne, Joe Preston, Francine Raynault, Bob Zimmer

### EXPENDITURES (April 1 to December 31, 2013)

STUDY NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER <sup>1</sup>	TOTAL <sup>2</sup>
Agricultural and Agri-Food Products Supply Chain (Animal Welfare)	2,003	874	808	<b>3,685</b>
Agricultural and Agri-Food Products Supply Chain (Beverage)	3,155	1,256	466	<b>4,878</b>
Agricultural and Agri-Food Products Supply Chain (Grains and Oilseeds)	1,139	-	-	<b>1,139</b>
Losses in honey bee colonies	5,569	-	893	<b>6,462</b>
Canada-European Union Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA) and the Effects of it on the Canadian Agriculture Sector	1,260	1,192	394	<b>2,847</b>
Operational Budget <sup>3</sup>	-	-	1,621	<b>1,621</b>
<b>TOTAL<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>13,126</b>	<b>3,322</b>	<b>4,182</b>	<b>20,632</b>

## STANDING COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND AGRI-FOOD (AGRI) (CONT'D)

### TRAVEL EXPENDITURES (April 1 to December 31, 2013)

STUDY NAME	TRANSPORTATION	ACCOMMODATION	PER DIEMS	OTHER <sup>4</sup>	TOTAL <sup>2</sup>
Changes to the U.S. Rule on Country of Origin Labeling (COOL) - Washington, D.C., USA	10,041	1,952	799	1,492	14,284
<b>TOTAL<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>10,041</b>	<b>1,952</b>	<b>799</b>	<b>1,492</b>	<b>14,284</b>

<sup>1</sup>"Other" (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

<sup>2</sup> Differences in totals are due to rounding.

<sup>3</sup> "Operational budget" contains expenditures for cases where no separate funding request has been made in relation to a study or an activity of a committee.

<sup>4</sup> "Other" (travel) includes expenditures such as audio-visual equipment, meeting rooms, excess baggage fees, passport and visa processing, conference fees and other minor miscellaneous expenses.

### MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1 to December 31, 2013)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEE	NUMBER OF MEETINGS			NUMBER OF WITNESSES	NUMBER OF REPORTS
	Total	Televised	Video conference		
Standing Committee (AGRI)	25	1	8	82	1
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SAGR)	1	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>1</b>

## STANDING COMMITTEE ON CANADIAN HERITAGE (CHPC)

During the period from April 1 to June 30, 2013, the Standing Committee on Canadian Heritage concluded its study of the *Canadian Entertainment Software Industry*, which it began in October 2012, and initiated a study of *Significant Aspects of Canadian History*. On the legislative front, the Committee examined Bill C-266, An Act to establish Pope John Paul II Day as well as Bill C-49, An Act to amend the Museum Act in order to establish the Canadian Museum of History and to make consequential amendments to others Acts.

In the period from July to December 2013, the Committee elected a new Chair, Mr. Gordon Brown. The Committee concluded its study of *Canada's Preparations for the 2014 Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games in Sochi*, which began in November 2013, and initiated a study of the *Canadian Music Industry*. It also considered the Supplementary Estimates (B) 2013-14 under Canadian Heritage.

### MEMBERSHIP (as of December 10, 2013)

Gordon Brown (Chair), Pierre Nantel (Vice-Chair), Stéphane Dion (Vice-Chair), Ray Boughen, Matthew Dubé, Rick Dykstra, Jim Hillyer, François Lapointe, Chungsen Leung, Irene Mathysen, Blake Richards, Terence Young

### EXPENDITURES (April 1 to December 31, 2013)

STUDY NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER <sup>1</sup>	TOTAL <sup>2</sup>
Canada's Preparations for the 2014 Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games in Sochi	5,594	1,418	274	7,285
Study of the Canadian Entertainment Software Industry	-	-	98	98
Operational Budget <sup>3</sup>	2,879	-	977	3,856
<b>TOTAL<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>8,473</b>	<b>1,418</b>	<b>1,349</b>	<b>11,240</b>

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### MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1 to December 31, 2013)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEE	NUMBER OF MEETINGS			NUMBER OF WITNESSES	NUMBER OF REPORTS
	Total	Televised	Video conference		
Standing Committee (CHPC)	20	3	3	50	4
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SCHP)	1	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>4</b>

## STANDING COMMITTEE ON CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION (CIMM)

During the period from April 1 to June 30, 2013, the Standing Committee on Citizenship and Immigration examined various issues. On the legislative front, the Committee considered Bill C-425, An Act to amend the Citizenship Act (honouring the Canadian Armed Forces), and heard from witnesses on the matter. The Committee also studied the subject matter of clauses 167 to 168 and 170 to 172 of Bill C-60, An Act to implement certain provisions of the budget tabled in Parliament on March 21, 2013 and other measures. In addition to its legislative agenda, the Committee also began a study of *Temporary Resident Visas for Visitors*. On the budgetary side, the Committee studied the Main Estimates 2013-14 under Citizenship and Immigration as well as Expenditure Plans for Citizenship and Immigration 2012-13.

In the period from July to December 2013, the Committee studied the subject matter of clauses 174 (Criminal Code) and 175 (Department of Foreign Affairs, Trade and Development Act) and 290 to 293 (Immigration and Refugee Protection Act) of Bill C-4, A second act to implement certain provisions of the budget tabled in Parliament on March 21, 2013 and other measures. The Committee also resumed its study of *Temporary Resident Visas for Visitors*. Finally, the Committee studied the Supplementary Estimates (B) 2013-14 under Citizenship and Immigration.

### MEMBERSHIP (as of December 10, 2013)

David Tilson (Chair), Lysane Blanchette-Lamothe (Vice-Chair), John McCallum (Vice-Chair), Paulina Ayala, Patrick Brown, Andrew Cash, Guy Lauzon, Chungsen Leung, Costas Menegakis, Rathika Sitsabaiesan, Mike Wallace, John Weston

### EXPENDITURES (April 1 to December 31, 2013)

STUDY NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER <sup>1</sup>	TOTAL <sup>2</sup>
Bill C-425	6,026	475	2,172	<b>8,674</b>
Temporary Resident Visas for Visitors	10,105	730	1,094	<b>11,929</b>
Subject Matter of Clauses 174 (Criminal Code) and 175 (Department of Foreign Affairs, Trade and Development Act) and 290 to 293 (Immigration and Refugee Protection Act) of Bill C-4	2,221	-	828	<b>3,050</b>
Operational Budget <sup>3</sup>	-	-	3,107	<b>3,107</b>
<b>TOTAL<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>18,352</b>	<b>1,205</b>	<b>7,201</b>	<b>26,758</b>

<sup>1</sup>“Other” (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

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<sup>3</sup>“Operational budget” contains expenditures for cases where no separate funding request has been made in relation to a study or an activity of a committee.

## STANDING COMMITTEE ON CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION (CIMM) (CONT'D)

### MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1 to December 31, 2013)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEE	NUMBER OF MEETINGS			NUMBER OF WITNESSES	NUMBER OF REPORTS
	Total	Televised	Video conference		
Standing Committee (CIMM)	19	9	3	77	3
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SCIM)	4	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>3</b>

## STANDING COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT (ENVI)

During the period from April 1 to June 30, 2013, the Standing Committee on Environment and Sustainable Development concluded its study of *Urban Conservation Practices in Canada* by presenting a report on the subject and continued its study of *Habitat Conservation in Canada*. The Committee also examined the draft Federal Sustainable Development Strategy 2013-2016. On the legislative front, the Committee examined Bill S-15, An Act to amend the Canada National Parks Act and the Canada-Nova Scotia Offshore Petroleum Resources Accord Implementation Act and to make consequential amendments to the Canada Shipping Act, 2001.

During the period from July to December 2013, the Committee concluded its study of *Habitat Conservation in Canada*. As well, the Committee studied the Fall 2013 Report of the Commissioner of the Environment and Sustainable Development and the Supplementary Estimates (B) 2013-14 under Environment.

### MEMBERSHIP (as of December 10, 2013)

Harold Albrecht (Chair), Megan Leslie (Vice-Chair), John McKay (Vice-Chair), Robert Aubin, Colin Carrie, François Choquette, Mylène Freeman, James Lunney, Robert Sopuck, Brian Storseth, Lawrence Toet, Stephen Woodworth

### EXPENDITURES (April 1 to December 31, 2013)

STUDY NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER <sup>1</sup>	TOTAL <sup>2</sup>
Habitat Conservation in Canada	7,502	6,109	1,608	15,219
Operational Budget <sup>3</sup>	1,902	-	1,995	3,897
<b>TOTAL<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>9,404</b>	<b>6,109</b>	<b>3,603</b>	<b>19,116</b>

<sup>1</sup>“Other” (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

<sup>2</sup> Differences in totals are due to rounding.

<sup>3</sup>“Operational budget” contains expenditures for cases where no separate funding request has been made in relation to a study or an activity of a committee.

### MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1 to December 31, 2013)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEE	NUMBER OF MEETINGS			NUMBER OF WITNESSES	NUMBER OF REPORTS
	Total	Televised	Video conference		
Standing Committee (ENVI)	25	-	6	88	3
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SENV)	-	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>3</b>

## STANDING COMMITTEE ON FINANCE (FINA)

During the period from April 1 to June 30, 2013, the Finance Committee heard from many witnesses, including the Minister of Finance, the Hon. Jim Flaherty, the former Governor of the Bank of Canada, Mark Carney, and his successor, Stephen S. Poloz. The Committee focused primarily on two studies: Bill C-60, An Act to implement certain provisions of the budget tabled in Parliament on March 21, 2013 and other measures, and its study of *Income Inequality in Canada*. On the legislative front, the Committee presented a report in the House on Bill S-17, An Act to implement conventions, protocols, agreements and a supplementary convention, concluded between Canada and Namibia, Serbia, Poland, Hong Kong, Luxembourg and Switzerland, for the avoidance of double taxation and the prevention of fiscal evasion with respect to taxes, and another report on Bill C-462, An Act restricting the fees charged by promoters of the disability tax credit and making consequential amendments to the Tax Court of Canada Act. Furthermore, the Committee reported back to the House on its study of *Tax Evasion and the Use of Tax Havens*. Finally, it began pre-budget consultations by inviting Canadians to submit their ideas online regarding their recommendations for the 2014 federal budget.

In the period from July to December 2013, the Committee heard from over 100 witnesses and presented three reports to the House of Commons. For its pre-budget consultations, the Committee received 336 online submissions containing recommendations for Budget 2014, which were posted on the Committee's website. In addition, it held six meetings on the economy, tourism, assistance for vulnerable Canadians, rural and urban development, and research and innovation. It then presented a report containing 42 recommendations. The Committee also studied and reported to the House on Bill C-4, A second act to implement certain provisions of the budget tabled in Parliament on March 21, 2013 and other measures. It heard from over 50 witnesses for this study. Finally, the Committee completed its study of *Income Inequality in Canada* and presented a report on the subject containing 24 recommendations.

### MEMBERSHIP (as of December 10, 2013)

James Rajotte (Chair), Peggy Nash (Vice-Chair), Scott Brison (Vice-Chair), Mark Adler, Guy Caron, Raymond Côté, Randy Hoback, Brian Jean, Gerald Keddy, Murray Rankin, Andrew Saxton, Dave Van Kesteren

### EXPENDITURES (April 1 to December 31, 2013)

STUDY NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER <sup>1</sup>	TOTAL <sup>2</sup>
Bill C-4	2,948	3,156	2,110	<b>8,214</b>
Bill C-462	2,169	351	142	<b>2,662</b>
Bill C-48	4,183	-	184	<b>4,367</b>
Bill C-60	5,186	-	1,120	<b>6,306</b>
Bill S-17	803	1,785	643	<b>3,231</b>
Income Inequality in Canada	4,034	976	385	<b>5,396</b>
Pre-budget consultations 2013	19,703	2,954	4,098	<b>26,756</b>
Tax Evasion and the Use of Tax Havens	-	-	97	<b>97</b>
Operational Budget <sup>3</sup>	652	-	393	<b>1,046</b>
<b>TOTAL<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>39,678</b>	<b>9,222</b>	<b>9,172</b>	<b>58,072</b>

<sup>1</sup>"Other" (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

<sup>2</sup>Differences in totals are due to rounding.

<sup>3</sup>"Operational budget" contains expenditures for cases where no separate funding request has been made in relation to a study or an activity of a committee.



## STANDING COMMITTEE ON FINANCE (FINA) (CONT'D)

### MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1 to December 31, 2013)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEES	NUMBER OF MEETINGS			NUMBER OF WITNESSES	NUMBER OF REPORTS
	Total	Televised	Video conference		
Standing Committee (FINA)	34	19	10	268	8
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SFIN)	6	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>268</b>	<b>8</b>

## STANDING COMMITTEE ON FISHERIES AND OCEANS (FOPO)

The period from April to June 2013 was marked by the beginning of the Committee's study of *Invasive Species that Pose a Threat to the Great Lakes System*, and its report on the matter was tabled in the House on April 25, 2013. The Committee then began a study of *Northern and Arctic Fisheries* on the heels of a Senate study of the same subject in 2009, but while also taking into account climate change and its impact on fish stocks. One meeting was dedicated to examining the Department of Fisheries and Oceans' Report on Plans and Priorities 2013-14. Current economic conditions also prompted the Committee to have a closer look at the situation facing the lobster fishery in Atlantic Canada.

In the period from July to December 2013, the Committee considered the Supplementary Estimates (B) 2013-14 under Fisheries and Oceans and then reviewed the programs and activities of Fisheries and Oceans Canada. The Committee also studied the *Fish Component of the Canada-European Union Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA)*.

### MEMBERSHIP (as of December 10, 2013)

Rodney Weston (Chair), Robert Chisholm (Vice-Chair), Lawrence MacAulay (Vice-Chair), Ryan Cleary, Patricia Davidson, Fin Donnelly, Randy Kamp, Greg Kerr, Ryan Leef, Robert Sopuck, Philip Toone, John Weston

### EXPENDITURES (April 1 to December 31, 2013)

STUDY NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER <sup>1</sup>	TOTAL <sup>2</sup>
Lobster Fishery	923	-	387	<b>1,310</b>
Operational Budget <sup>3</sup>	-	3,490	1,983	<b>5,473</b>
<b>TOTAL<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>923</b>	<b>3,490</b>	<b>2,370</b>	<b>6,783</b>

<sup>1</sup>"Other" (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

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<sup>3</sup> "Operational budget" contains expenditures for cases where no separate funding request has been made in relation to a study or an activity of a committee.

### MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1 to December 31, 2013)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEE	NUMBER OF MEETINGS			NUMBER OF WITNESSES	NUMBER OF REPORTS
	Total	Televised	Video conference		
Standing Committee (FOPO)	20	-	2	38	1
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SFOP)	4	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>1</b>

## STANDING COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT (FAAE)

From April to June 2013, the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Development carried out three studies related to its mandate. The Committee completed its study of *Canada's Arctic Foreign Policy* and presented its findings to the House of Commons on May 10, 2013. The Committee also completed a study of the *Situation of Jewish Refugees from Middle Eastern Nations* and, following travel to Washington, the Committee considered a draft report on the *Organization of American States (OAS) and Canada's Engagement in the Americas*. In addition, the Committee considered Bill S-14, An Act to amend the Corruption of Foreign Public Officials Act and reported it to the House on June 14, 2013 as well as the subject matter of clauses 174 to 199 (Department of Foreign Affairs, Trade and Development Act) of Bill C-60, An Act to implement certain provisions of the budget tabled in Parliament on March 21, 2013 and other measures.

The Committee also considered and reported the Main Estimates 2013-14 under Foreign Affairs and International Trade back to the House. Several briefings were organized on topics such as the *Corporate Practices by Companies Supplying and Manufacturing Products in Developing Countries for Canadian Consumers*, *Canada's Foreign Policy as it Relates to North Korea* and an update on the activities of the *Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria*. The Committee also examined reports from the Subcommittee on International Human Rights (SDIR) concerning, among others, the *Human Rights Situation in Burma* and the *Persecution of the Copt Community in Egypt*.

In the period from July to December 2013, the Committee studied Bill C-6, An Act to implement the Convention on Cluster Munitions. In addition, the Committee considered the Supplementary Estimates (B) 2013-14 under Foreign Affairs, Trade and Development. In addition, a briefing session was held with officials from the Department of Foreign Affairs on the situation in Syria. Finally, in December 2013, it presented reports on its studies regarding the *Situation of Jewish Refugees from Middle Eastern Nations* and on the *Organization of American States (OAS) and Canada's Engagement in the Americas*. The Subcommittee on International Human Rights also undertook an in-depth study of the *Human Rights Situation in Sri Lanka*.

### MEMBERSHIP (as of December 10, 2013)

Dean Allison (Chair), Paul Dewar (Vice-Chair), Marc Garneau (Vice-Chair), Mike Allen, David Anderson, Lois Brown, Peter Goldring, Nina Grewal, H  l  ne Laverdi  re, Laurin Liu, Romeo Saganash, Gary Schellenberger

### EXPENDITURES (April 1 to December 31, 2013)

STUDY NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER <sup>1</sup>	TOTAL <sup>2</sup>
Bill C-6	743	936	468	<b>2,146</b>
Bill S-14	1,409	318	383	<b>2,109</b>
Canada's Arctic Foreign Policy	6,318	-	100	<b>6,418</b>
Canada's Foreign Policy as it Relates to North Korea	586	302	140	<b>1,028</b>
Corporate Practices by Companies Supplying and Manufacturing Products in Developing Countries for Canadian Consumers	663	-	140	<b>803</b>
Situation of Jewish Refugees from Middle Eastern Nations	1,610	174	419	<b>2,203</b>
Operational Budget <sup>3</sup>	3,204	220	1,016	<b>4,441</b>

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## STANDING COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT (FAAE) (CONT'D)

STUDY NAME (CONT'D)	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER <sup>1</sup>	TOTAL <sup>2</sup>
SDIR - Human Rights Situation in Honduras	2,539	1,204	406	4,149
SDIR - Human Rights Situation in Iran	3,601	816	256	4,673
SDIR - Human Rights Situation in Sri Lanka	908	1,553	1,006	3,467
SDIR - Operational Budget <sup>3</sup>	-	-	1,633	1,633
<b>TOTAL<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>21,581</b>	<b>5,523</b>	<b>5,967</b>	<b>33,070</b>

### TRAVEL EXPENDITURES (April 1 to December 31, 2013)

STUDY NAME	TRANSPORTATION	ACCOMMODATION	PER DIEMS	OTHER <sup>4</sup>	TOTAL <sup>2</sup>
Organization of American States (OAS) and Canada's Engagement in the Americas – Washington, DC, USA	21,189	13,007	2,358	1,194	37,749
<b>TOTAL<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>21,189</b>	<b>13,007</b>	<b>2,358</b>	<b>1,194</b>	<b>37,749</b>

<sup>1</sup>“Other” (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

<sup>2</sup> Differences in totals are due to rounding.

<sup>3</sup>“Operational budget” contains expenditures for cases where no separate funding request has been made in relation to a study or an activity of a committee.

<sup>4</sup>“Other” (travel) includes expenditures such as audio-visual equipment, meeting rooms, excess baggage fees, passport and visa processing, conference fees and other minor miscellaneous expenses.

### MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1 to December 31, 2013)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEES	NUMBER OF MEETINGS			NUMBER OF WITNESSES	NUMBER OF REPORTS
	Total	Televised	Video conference		
Standing Committee (FAAE)	23	-	6	74	7
Subcommittee on International Human Rights (SDIR)	23	8	4	23	-
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SFAA)	1	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>7</b>

## STANDING COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS AND ESTIMATES (OGGO)

During the period from April to June 2013, the Government Operations and Estimates Committee focused primarily on its study of *Energy Efficiency in Government Buildings, Structures and Public Works* followed by the presentation of a report to the House in June. The Committee also considered the Main Estimates 2013-14 under Parliament, Privy Council, Public Works and Government Services and Treasury Board, as well as some other matters, including: the *Integrated Relocation Program*; the *Public Service Pension Plan*; the *Integrity Provisions for Procurement and Real Property Transactions*; and the government response to the Committee's Seventh Report, entitled "Strengthening Parliamentary Scrutiny of Estimates and Supply".

In the period from July to December 2013, the Committee elected a new chair, Mr. Pierre-Luc Dusseault. The Committee provided updates on several matters it has monitored for several years: the government's follow-up on the June 2012 report entitled "Strengthening Parliamentary Scrutiny of Estimates and Supply," the *Renovations and Associated Costs for the Parliamentary Precinct Renovation Project* (including a site visit), and the *Mandate and Activities of the Build in Canada Innovation Program*. It also devoted several meetings to studying the Supplementary Estimates (B) 2013-14 under Canadian Heritage, Privy Council, Public Works and Government Services and Treasury Board. The Committee also studied the Public Service Commission's latest annual report.

### MEMBERSHIP (as of December 10, 2013)

Pierre-Luc Dusseault (Chair), Gordon O'Connor (Vice-Chair), Gerry Byrne (Vice-Chair), Diane Ablonczy, Jay Aspin, Denis Blanchette, Ron Cannan, Anne-Marie Day, Ed Komarnicki, Pat Martin, Bernard Trottier, Dave Van Kesteren

### EXPENDITURES (April 1 to December 31, 2013)

STUDY NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER <sup>1</sup>	TOTAL <sup>2</sup>
Energy Efficiency in Government Buildings, Structures and Public Works	2,851	1,141	936	4,928
Operational Budget <sup>3</sup>	-	-	3,653	3,653
<b>TOTAL<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>2,851</b>	<b>1,141</b>	<b>4,589</b>	<b>8,581</b>

<sup>1</sup>"Other" (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

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<sup>3</sup> "Operational budget" contains expenditures for cases where no separate funding request has been made in relation to a study or an activity of a committee.

## STANDING COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS AND ESTIMATES (OGGO) (CONT'D)

### MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1 to December 31, 2013)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEE	NUMBER OF MEETINGS			NUMBER OF WITNESSES	NUMBER OF REPORTS
	Total	Televised	Video conference		
Standing Committee (OGGO)	24	11	1	82	3
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SOGG)	2	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>3</b>

## STANDING COMMITTEE ON HEALTH (HESA)

In the spring of 2013, the Standing Committee on Health completed its study of *Technological Innovation in Health Care in Canada* by presenting a final report in the House on June 12, 2013, based on the testimony given by over 100 witnesses. The Committee also examined in its study of *Technological Innovations* the costs associated with adopting new technologies as well as the challenges associated with the commercialization of these products.

During the period from July to December 2013, the Committee held some 10 meetings as part of its study of *Government's Role in Addressing Prescription Drug Abuse*. It also devoted one meeting to the Supplementary Estimates (B) 2013–14 under Health. The Committee also elected a new chair, Mr. Ben Lobb.

### MEMBERSHIP (as of December 10, 2013)

Ben Lobb (Chair), Libby Davies (Vice-Chair), Hedy Fry (Vice-Chair), Eve Adams, Earl Dreesen, Laurie Hawn, Wladyslaw Lizon, Wayne Marston, Dany Morin, Isabelle Morin, Joy Smith, David Wilks

### EXPENDITURES (April 1 to December 31, 2013)

STUDY NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER <sup>1</sup>	TOTAL <sup>2</sup>
Technological Innovation	11,337	236	928	<b>12,500</b>
Government's Role in Addressing Prescription Drug Abuse	6,036	1,564	466	<b>8,065</b>
Operational Budget <sup>3</sup>	2,899	-	517	<b>3,416</b>
<b>TOTAL<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>20,272</b>	<b>1,800</b>	<b>1,911</b>	<b>23,983</b>

<sup>1</sup>"Other" (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

<sup>2</sup>Differences in totals are due to rounding.

<sup>3</sup>"Operational budget" contains expenditures for cases where no separate funding request has been made in relation to a study or an activity of a committee.

### MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1 to December 31, 2013)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEE	NUMBER OF MEETINGS			NUMBER OF WITNESSES	NUMBER OF REPORTS
	Total	Televised	Video conference		
Standing Committee (HESA)	22	3	5	88	3
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SHES)	-	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>3</b>

## STANDING COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RESOURCES, SKILLS AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT AND THE STATUS OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES (HUMA)

During the period from April 1 to June 30, 2013, the Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills and Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities focused on several studies. In particular, the Committee concluded its study of *Exploring Employment Opportunities for Persons with Disabilities*. The Committee also began a study entitled *Engaging Experience: Opportunities for Older Persons in the Workforce*. Moreover, the Committee considered the subject matter of clauses 161 to 166 (*Immigration and Refugee Protection Act*) of Bill C-60, An Act to implement certain provisions of the budget tabled in Parliament on March 21, 2013, and other measures. Furthermore, the members met to discuss the Main Estimates for 2013-14 under Human Resources and Skills Development. Lastly, the Committee awarded the 2013 Centennial Flame Research Award to Sara Carleton, whose research will focus on Clara Hughes and how she has affected the way Canadians think about mental health disorders.

In the period from July to December 2013, the Committee elected a new Chair, Mr. Phil McColeman. The Committee concluded its study of *Engaging Experience: Opportunities for Older Persons in the Workforce*. Afterwards, the Committee began a study of *Opportunities for Aboriginal Peoples in the Workforce*. The Committee also held meetings on the subject matter of clauses 176 to 238 (Division 5 and Division 6, *Canada Labour Code*) of Bill C-4, A second act to implement certain provisions of the budget tabled in Parliament on March 21, 2013 and other measures. The Committee also considered the Supplementary Estimates (B) 2013-14 under Human Resources and Skills Development.

### MEMBERSHIP (as of December 10, 2013)

Phil McColeman (Chair), Jinny Jogindera Sims (Vice-Chair), Rodger Cuzner (Vice-Chair), Scott Armstrong, Alexandre Boulerice, Brad Butt, Joe Daniel, Sadia Groguhé, Colin Mayes, Cathy McLeod, Devinder Shory, Jonathan Tremblay

### EXPENDITURES (April 1 to December 31, 2013)

STUDY NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER <sup>1</sup>	TOTAL <sup>2</sup>
Subject Matter of Clauses 161 to 166 (Immigration and Refugee Protection Act) of Bill C-60	1,902	-	348	2,250
Engaging Experience: Opportunities for Older Persons in the Workforce	1,698	1,438	502	3,639
Exploring Employment Opportunities for Persons with Disabilities	10,217	-	-	10,217
Operational Budget <sup>3</sup>	-	395	1,957	2,352
<b>TOTAL<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>13,817</b>	<b>1,833</b>	<b>2,807</b>	<b>18,457</b>

<sup>1</sup>“Other” (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

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<sup>3</sup>“Operational budget” contains expenditures for cases where no separate funding request has been made in relation to a study or an activity of a committee.



**STANDING COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RESOURCES, SKILLS AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT AND THE STATUS OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES (HUMA) (CONT'D)**

**MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1 to December 31, 2013)**

STANDING COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEE	NUMBER OF MEETINGS			NUMBER OF WITNESSES	NUMBER OF REPORTS
	Total	Televised	Video conference		
Standing Committee (HUMA)	23	1	4	99	4
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SHUM)	2	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>4</b>

## STANDING COMMITTEE ON INDUSTRY, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (INDU)

During the period from April to June, 2013, the Committee began a study of the *Adoption of Digital Technology by Canadian Small and Medium-sized Enterprises*. On May 9, the Committee met with members of the Education and Culture Committee from the Parliament of Finland. The Committee also studied the subject matter of clauses 136 to 154 (Investment Canada Act) of Bill C-60, An Act to implement certain provisions of the budget tabled in Parliament on March 21, 2013, and other measures, as well as the Main Estimates 2013-14 under Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency, Economic Development Agency of Canada for the Regions of Quebec, Industry and Western Economic Diversification.

In the period from July to December 2013, the Committee studied Bill C-8, An Act to amend the Copyright Act and the Trade-marks Act and to make consequential amendments to other Acts. It also considered the Supplementary Estimates (B) 2013-14 under Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency, Economic Development Agency of Canada for the Regions of Quebec, Industry and Western Economic Diversification.

### MEMBERSHIP (as of December 10, 2013)

David Sweet (Chair), Chris Charlton (Vice-Chair), Judy Sgro (Vice-Chair), Cheryl Gallant, Ed Holder, Brian Jean, Mike Lake, Phil McColeman, Anne Minh-Thu Quach, Kennedy Stewart, Glenn Thibeault, Mark Warawa

### EXPENDITURES (April 1 to December 31, 2013)

STUDY NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER <sup>1</sup>	TOTAL <sup>2</sup>
Bill C-8	1,858	481	103	<b>2,442</b>
Adoption of Digital Technology by Canadian Small and Medium-sized Enterprises	295	1,375	941	<b>2,610</b>
Broadband and Internet Access Across Canada	1,681	-	-	<b>1,681</b>
Subject Matter of Clauses 136 to 154 (Investment Canada Act) of Bill C-60	-	1,903	235	<b>2,138</b>
Operational Budget <sup>3</sup>	-	-	803	<b>803</b>
<b>TOTAL<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>3,834</b>	<b>3,759</b>	<b>2,082</b>	<b>9,675</b>

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<sup>3</sup> "Operational budget" contains expenditures for cases where no separate funding request has been made in relation to a study or an activity of a committee.

**STANDING COMMITTEE ON INDUSTRY, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (INDU) (CONT'D)**

**MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1 to December 31, 2013)**

STANDING COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEE	NUMBER OF MEETINGS			NUMBER OF WITNESSES	NUMBER OF REPORTS
	Total	Televised	Video conference		
Standing Committee (INDU)	22	3	7	96	2
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SIND)	-	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>2</b>

## STANDING COMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL TRADE (CIIT)

During the period from April 1 to June 30, 2013, the Standing Committee on International Trade (CIIT) conducted hearings related to two studies. The Committee received evidence from witnesses to conclude hearings as part of its study of the *Benefits for Canada in Joining the Pacific Alliance as a Full Member*. It also began hearings related to its study of the *Benefits for Canada of the Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP)*. The Committee presented its seventh report to the House of Commons on Thursday, May 9, 2013 related to its study of the *Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (CEPA) with India*. Finally, the Minister of International Trade and departmental officials appeared before the Committee on the subject of the Main Estimates 2013-14 under Foreign Affairs and International Trade.

In the period from July to December 2013, the Committee conducted hearings related to its study of the *Canada-European Union Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA)*. As part of this study, from November 25 to 27, 2013, the Committee conducted public hearings in Halifax, Nova Scotia, and toured the facilities of the Port of Halifax.

### MEMBERSHIP (as of December 10, 2013)

Rob Merrifield (Chair), Don Davies (Vice-Chair), Massimo Pacetti (Vice-Chair), Ron Cannan, Russ Hiebert, Ed Holder, Brian Masse, Ted Menzies, Marc-André Morin, Erin O'Toole, Jasbir Sandhu, Devinder Shory

### EXPENDITURES (April 1 to December 31, 2013)

STUDY NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER <sup>1</sup>	TOTAL <sup>2</sup>
Benefits for Canada in Joining the Pacific Alliance as a Full Member	3,952	221	-	4,173
Benefits for Canada of the Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP)	763	617	-	1,380
Comprehensive Economic and Partnership Agreement (CEPA) with India	3,613	-	-	3,613
Canada-European Union Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA)	6,726	-	-	6,726
Operational Budget <sup>3</sup>	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>15,054</b>	<b>838</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>15,892</b>

## STANDING COMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL TRADE (CIIT) (CONT'D)

### TRAVEL EXPENDITURES (April 1 to December 31, 2013)

STUDY NAME	TRANSPORTATION	ACCOMMODATION	PER DIEMS	OTHER <sup>4</sup>	TOTAL <sup>2</sup>
Canada-European Union Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA) - Halifax, Nova Scotia	15,103	4,101	3,676	7,996	30,876
<b>TOTAL<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>15,103</b>	<b>4,101</b>	<b>3,676</b>	<b>7,996</b>	<b>30,876</b>

<sup>1</sup>"Other" (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

<sup>2</sup> Differences in totals are due to rounding.

<sup>3</sup> "Operational budget" contains expenditures for cases where no separate funding request has been made in relation to a study or an activity of a committee.

<sup>4</sup> "Other" (travel) includes expenditures such as audio-visual equipment, meeting rooms, excess baggage fees, passport and visa processing, conference fees and other minor miscellaneous expenses.

### MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1 to December 31, 2013)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEE	NUMBER OF MEETINGS			NUMBER OF WITNESSES	NUMBER OF REPORTS
	Total	Televised	Video conference		
Standing Committee (CIIT)	21	1	1	79	1
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SCII)	-	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>1</b>

## STANDING COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE AND HUMAN RIGHTS (JUST)

During the period from April to June 2013, the Standing Committee on Justice and Human Rights considered the following bills and reported back to the House of Commons:

- Bill C-54, An Act to Amend the Criminal Code and the National Defence Act (Mental Disorder);
- Bill C-452, An Act to amend the Criminal Code (exploitation and trafficking in persons);
- Bill C-444, An Act to amend the Criminal Code (personating peace officer or public officer);
- Bill S-209, An Act to amend the Criminal Code (prize fights).

In addition, pursuant to an order of reference from the House, the Committee began a review of Part XVII of the *Criminal Code*, which deals with the right of the accused to be tried in his or her official language.

In the period from July to December 2013, the Committee considered and reported on Bill C-489, An Act to amend the Criminal Code and the Corrections and Conditional Release Act (restrictions on offenders) and began its study of Bill C-10, An Act to amend the Criminal Code (trafficking in contraband tobacco). The Committee also studied the subject matter of clauses 471 and 472 of Bill C-4, A second act to implement certain provisions of the budget tabled in Parliament on March 21, 2013 and other measures. In addition, it considered the Supplementary Estimates (B) 2013-14 under Justice.

### MEMBERSHIP (as of December 10, 2013)

Mike Wallace (Chair), Françoise Boivin (Vice-Chair), Sean Casey (Vice-Chair), Patrick Brown, Blaine Calkins, Bob Dechert, Robert Goguen, Pierre Jacob, Matthew Kellway, Ève Pécelet, Kyle Seeback, David Wilks

### EXPENDITURES (April 1 to December 31, 2013)

STUDY NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER <sup>1</sup>	TOTAL <sup>2</sup>
Bill C-394	941	-	-	941
Bill C-444	2,525	-	49	2,574
Bill C-452	4,107	-	197	4,304
Bill C-54	19,067	-	1,921	20,987
Bill S-209	-	520	49	569
Bill C-489	2,858	-	130	2,988
Bill C-10	2,328	-	130	2,458
Subject Matter of Clauses 471 and 472 of Bill C-4	485	-	-	485
Operational Budget <sup>3</sup>	-	-	423	423
<b>TOTAL<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>32,311</b>	<b>520</b>	<b>2,899</b>	<b>35,730</b>

<sup>1</sup>“Other” (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

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## STANDING COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE AND HUMAN RIGHTS (JUST) (CONT'D)

### MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1 to December 31, 2013)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEE	NUMBER OF MEETINGS			NUMBER OF WITNESSES	NUMBER OF REPORTS
	Total	Televised	Video conference		
Standing Committee (JUST)	21	6	1	100	6
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SJUS)	3	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>6</b>

## STANDING COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL DEFENCE (NDDN)

From April 1 to June 30, 2013, the Standing Committee on National Defence studied the *Care of Ill and Injured Canadian Forces Members, NATO'S Strategic Concept and Canada's Role in International Defence Cooperation, Canada's Mission in Afghanistan*, as well as the *Defence of North America*. Under the study of *Defence of North America*, the Committee travelled to Victoria, British Columbia, Washington, D.C., and Colorado Springs, Colorado. The Committee also considered the Main Estimates 2013-14 under National Defence.

In the period from July to December 2013, the Committee elected a new Chair, the Hon. Peter Kent. The Committee resumed its studies of the *Care of Ill and Injured Canadian Armed Forces Members* and *NATO'S Strategic Concept and Canada's Role in International Defence Cooperation*, for which it presented a report to the House. It also held a briefing session on *Canada's Contribution to Humanitarian Efforts in the Philippines*. During its study of *Care of Ill and Injured Canadian Armed Forces Members*, the Committee travelled to Petawawa, Ontario. The Committee also considered the Supplementary Estimates (B) 2013-14 under National Defence.

### MEMBERSHIP (as of December 10, 2013)

Peter Kent (Chair), Jack Harris (Vice-Chair), Joyce Murray (Vice-Chair), James Bezan, Tarik Brahma, Cheryl Gallant, Jean-François Larose, Éline Michaud, Rick Norlock, Ted Opitz, Brian Storseth, John Williamson

### EXPENDITURES (April 1 to December 31, 2013)

STUDY NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER <sup>1</sup>	TOTAL <sup>2</sup>
Care of Ill and Injured Canadian Forces Members	9,141	-	803	<b>9,944</b>
Operational Budget <sup>3</sup>	274	-	1,027	<b>1,301</b>
<b>TOTAL<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>9,415</b>	-	<b>1,830</b>	<b>11,245</b>



## STANDING COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL DEFENCE (NDDN) (CONT'D)

### TRAVEL EXPENDITURES (April 1 to December 31, 2013)

STUDY NAME	TRANSPORTATION	ACCOMMODATION	PER DIEMS	OTHER <sup>4</sup>	TOTAL <sup>2</sup>
Care of Ill and Injured Canadian Armed Forces Members: Petawawa, Ontario	-	-	-	250	<b>250</b>
Defence of North America: Colorado-Manitoba-British Columbia	38,346	6,018	4,894	1,050	<b>50,308</b>
Defence of North America: Washington, D.C., USA	13,868	3,282	1,917	695	<b>19,761</b>
<b>TOTAL<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>52,214</b>	<b>9,300</b>	<b>6,811</b>	<b>1,995</b>	<b>70,319</b>

<sup>1</sup>"Other" (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

<sup>2</sup> Differences in totals are due to rounding.

<sup>3</sup> "Operational budget" contains expenditures for cases where no separate funding request has been made in relation to a study or an activity of a committee.

<sup>4</sup> "Other" (travel) includes expenditures such as audio-visual equipment, meeting rooms, excess baggage fees, passport and visa processing, conference fees and other minor miscellaneous expenses.

### MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1 to December 31, 2013)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEE	NUMBER OF MEETINGS			NUMBER OF WITNESSES	NUMBER OF REPORTS
	Total	Televised	Video conference		
Standing Committee (NDDN)	22	1	-	58	2
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SNDD)	1	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>2</b>

## STANDING COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES (RNNR)

The Standing Committee on Natural Resources completed hearing witnesses in relation to its study of *Innovation in Canada's Energy Sector*. This study began in October 2012 and was completed after 17 meetings were dedicated to the matter, during which the Committee heard from over 72 witnesses or organizations. The Committee began consideration of a draft report before the adjournment in June. The Committee also completed hearing witnesses in relation to its study of *Market Diversification in Canada's Energy Sector*. In April 2013, the Committee considered the Main Estimates 2013-14 under Natural Resources and reported them to the House.

In the period from July to December 2013, the Committee held a briefing on the Major Projects Management Office, launched a study of the *Rare Earths Industry in Canada* and studied and reported to the House on Orders-in-Council. It also considered and reported to the House the Supplementary Estimates (B) 2013-14 under Natural Resources. Finally, the Committee finished hearing from witnesses for its study of Bill C-5, An Act to amend the Canada-Newfoundland Atlantic Accord Implementation Act, the Canada-Nova Scotia Offshore Petroleum Resources Accord Implementation Act and other Acts and to provide for certain other measures.

### MEMBERSHIP (as of December 10, 2013)

Leon Benoit (Chair), Peter Julian (Vice-Chair), Geoff Regan (Vice-Chair), Mike Allen, Kelly Block, Joan Crockatt, Linda Duncan, Claude Gravelle, Ryan Leef, Christine Moore, Brad Trost, Bob Zimmer

### EXPENDITURES (April 1 to December 31, 2013)

STUDY NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER <sup>1</sup>	TOTAL <sup>2</sup>
Bill C-5	3,331	801	237	4,368
Innovation in the Energy Sector	-	-	576	576
Market Diversification in the Energy Sector	5,318	4,156	566	10,039
Rare Earths Industry in Canada	-	-	79	79
Operational Budget <sup>3</sup>	-	622	420	1,042
<b>TOTAL<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>8,649</b>	<b>5,579</b>	<b>1,878</b>	<b>16,106</b>

<sup>1</sup>"Other" (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

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### MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1 to December 31, 2013)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEE	NUMBER OF MEETINGS			NUMBER OF WITNESSES	NUMBER OF REPORTS
	Total	Televised	Video conference		
Standing Committee (RNNR)	24	1	7	69	5
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>5</b>

## STANDING COMMITTEE ON OFFICIAL LANGUAGES (LANG)

During the period from April to June 2013, the Standing Committee on Official Languages studied Bill C-419, An Act respecting language skills. The Committee then began a study of *Second Official Language Immersion Programs in Canada*, which occupied most of the Committee's time. The Committee heard from many witnesses from across the country. The Committee also heard from the Commissioner of Official Languages on the Main Estimates for 2013-14 under Privy Council, as well as the Minister of Citizenship and Immigration on his department's obligations under the *Official Languages Act*.

In the period from July to December 2013, the Committee resumed its study of *Second Official Language Immersion Programs in Canada* by holding three additional meetings and beginning its consideration of a draft report. The Committee also invited the Commissioner of Official Languages to appear on his 2012-2013 Annual Report.

### MEMBERSHIP (as of December 10, 2013)

Michael D. Chong (Chair), Yvon Godin (Vice-Chair), Lise St-Denis (Vice-Chair), Joyce Bateman, Tyrone Benskin, Corneliu Chisu, Joe Daniel, Pierre Dionne Labelle, Royal Galipeau, Jacques Gourde, Jamie Nicholls, John Williamson

### EXPENDITURES (April 1 to December 31, 2013)

STUDY NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER <sup>1</sup>	TOTAL <sup>2</sup>
Bill C-419	474	306	67	847
Second Official Language Immersion Programs in Canada	6,996	940	43	7,979
Operational Budget <sup>3</sup>	-	1,736	489	2,225
<b>TOTAL<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>7,471</b>	<b>2,982</b>	<b>599</b>	<b>11,052</b>

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<sup>3</sup>"Operational budget" contains expenditures for cases where no separate funding request has been made in relation to a study or an activity of a committee.

### MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1 to December 31, 2013)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEE	NUMBER OF MEETINGS			NUMBER OF WITNESSES	NUMBER OF REPORTS
	Total	Televised	Video conference		
Standing Committee (LANG)	21	4	7	51	2
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SLAN)	-	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>2</b>

## STANDING COMMITTEE ON PROCEDURE AND HOUSE AFFAIRS (PROC)

During the period from April to June 2013, the Committee completed its examination of objections filed by Members of the House of Commons regarding the reports of electoral boundaries commissions in Saskatchewan, British Columbia, Quebec and Ontario. The Committee also examined the Main Estimates for the House of Commons and the Chief Electoral Officer for the 2013-14 fiscal year. Furthermore, the Chief Electoral Officer appeared before the Committee regarding two reports prepared by Elections Canada. The Committee also examined the Order-in-Council appointment of Richard Fularczuk to the position of Law Clerk and Parliamentary Counsel of the House of Commons.

In the period from July to December 2013, the Committee struck the membership of standing committees of the House of Commons and established the representation of the House of Commons on standing joint committees. The Committee undertook and completed a *Review of the Board of Internal Economy* pursuant to an Order of Reference from the House. The Committee was also referred the matter of a question of privilege respecting the right of a Member to sit and vote when he or she has failed to correct an electoral return as requested by Elections Canada. The Committee began its study with the appearance of the Chief Electoral Officer. The Subcommittee on Private Members' Business examined Private Members' bills and motions recently added to the Order of Precedence. Finally, the Committee recommended amendments to the Standing Orders, reducing from 12 to 10 the membership of standing committees. The Report was presented to, and adopted by, the House on December 3, 2013.

### MEMBERSHIP (as of December 10, 2013)

Joe Preston (Chair), Alexandrine Latendresse (Vice-Chair), Kevin Lamoureux (Vice-Chair), Brad Butt, Nathan Cullen, Tom Lukiwski, Dave MacKenzie, Ted Opitz, Scott Reid, Blake Richards, Craig Scott, Nycole Turmel

### EXPENDITURES (April 1 to December 31, 2013)

STUDY NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER <sup>1</sup>	TOTAL <sup>2</sup>
Report of the Federal Electoral Boundaries Commission for British Columbia 2012	-	-	898	<b>898</b>
Report of the Federal Electoral Boundaries Commission for Ontario 2012	-	-	898	<b>898</b>
Report of the Federal Electoral Boundaries Commission for Quebec 2012	-	-	898	<b>898</b>
Report of the Federal Electoral Boundaries Commission for Saskatchewan 2012	-	-	898	<b>898</b>
Review of the Board of Internal Economy	182	276	2,233	<b>2,691</b>
Operational Budget <sup>3</sup>	-	-	2,056	<b>2,056</b>
<b>TOTAL<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>182</b>	<b>276</b>	<b>7,881</b>	<b>8,339</b>

<sup>1</sup>"Other" (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

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<sup>3</sup>"Operational budget" contains expenditures for cases where no separate funding request has been made in relation to a study or an activity of a committee.

## STANDING COMMITTEE ON PROCEDURE AND HOUSE AFFAIRS (PROC) (CONT'D)

### MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1 to December 31, 2013)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEES	NUMBER OF MEETINGS			NUMBER OF WITNESSES	NUMBER OF REPORTS
	Total	Televised	Video conference		
Standing Committee (PROC)	28	4	2	97	18
Subcommittee on Private Members' Business (SMEM)	2	-	-	-	-
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SPRO)	1	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>18</b>

## STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS (PACP)

From April to June 2013, the Standing Committee on Public Accounts held public hearings as well as report-writing meetings, covering eight studies in fulfilment of its mandate. Among others, the Committee examined audits dealing with the government's long-term fiscal analysis, and grant and contribution program reforms. In addition, the Committee met with a parliamentary delegation from Guyana. The Committee presented four reports to the House during this period, which included ten recommendations to rectify deficiencies in government administration identified by the Auditor General, and to enhance parliamentary control of public spending. Reports included the Public Accounts of Canada 2012, the spending estimates of the Office of the Auditor General, and reports on the Auditor General's work on transfer payments to the aerospace sector and special examinations of Crown corporations.

In the period from July to December 2013, the Committee arranged briefings with the Office of the Auditor General of Canada and the Treasury Board of Canada Secretariat and initiated a study of the Public Accounts of Canada 2013. The Fall 2013 Report of the Auditor General of Canada was tabled in the House of Commons and referred to the Committee. The Auditor General appeared before the Committee on the subject of the nine audit chapters in this report, after which the Committee held a public hearing on one of the chapters it had decided to study individually: Chapter 5, Preventing Illegal Entry Into Canada.

### MEMBERSHIP (as of December 10, 2013)

David Christopherson (Chair), John Carmichael (Vice-Chair), Scott Simms (Vice-Chair), Mark Adler, Dan Albas, Malcolm Allen, Jay Aspin, Alain Giguère, Dan Harris, Bryan Hayes, Bev Shipley, Stephen Woodworth

### EXPENDITURES (April 1 to December 31, 2013)

STUDY NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER <sup>1</sup>	TOTAL <sup>2</sup>
Operational Budget <sup>3</sup>	-	-	1,538	1,538
<b>TOTAL<sup>2</sup></b>	-	-	<b>1,538</b>	<b>1,538</b>

<sup>1</sup>"Other" (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

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<sup>3</sup>"Operational budget" contains expenditures for cases where no separate funding request has been made in relation to a study or an activity of a committee.

### MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1 to December 31, 2013)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEE	NUMBER OF MEETINGS			NUMBER OF WITNESSES	NUMBER OF REPORTS
	Total	Televised	Video conference		
Standing Committee (PACP)	27	8	-	59	4
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>4</b>

## STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY AND NATIONAL SECURITY (SECU)

During the period from April to June 2013, the Standing Committee on Public Safety and National Security continued its inquiry into the *Economics of Policing*. In addition to a fact-finding visit to Western Canada, the Committee travelled to California and England, because of a need to gather evidence from foreign jurisdictions. Before the House adjourned for the summer, the Committee instructed its analysts to prepare an outline of a report related to this study.

In the period from July to December 2013, the Committee elected a new Chair, Mr. Daryl Kramp. The Committee continued its inquiry into the *Economics of Policing*. It also considered the Supplementary Estimates (B) 2013-14 under Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness.

### MEMBERSHIP (as of December 10, 2013)

Daryl Kramp (Chair), Randall Garrison (Vice-Chair), Wayne Easter (Vice-Chair), Michael D. Chong, Rosane Doré Lefebvre, Roxanne James, Ted Menzies, Rick Norlock, LaVar Payne, François Pilon, Jean Rousseau, Rodney Weston

### EXPENDITURES (April 1 to December 31, 2013)

STUDY NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER <sup>1</sup>	TOTAL <sup>2</sup>
Bill C-51	485	-	-	485
Economics of Policing	5,363	3,439	2,448	11,250
Operational Budget <sup>3</sup>	-	376	354	730
<b>TOTAL<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>5,848</b>	<b>3,815</b>	<b>2,802</b>	<b>12,465</b>

### TRAVEL EXPENDITURES (April 1 to December 31, 2013)

STUDY NAME	TRANSPORTATION	ACCOMMODATION	PER DIEMS	OTHER <sup>4</sup>	TOTAL <sup>2</sup>
Economics of Policing – California/Canada	43,584	8,008	3,668	1,277	56,537
Economics of Policing – United Kingdom	63,155	14,191	7,605	479	85,430
<b>TOTAL<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>106,739</b>	<b>22,199</b>	<b>11,272</b>	<b>1,756</b>	<b>141,967</b>

<sup>1</sup>“Other” (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

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<sup>3</sup> “Operational budget” contains expenditures for cases where no separate funding request has been made in relation to a study or an activity of a committee.

<sup>4</sup> “Other” (travel) includes expenditures such as audio-visual equipment, meeting rooms, excess baggage fees, passport and visa processing, conference fees and other minor miscellaneous expenses.

**STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY AND NATIONAL SECURITY (SECU) (CONT'D)**

**MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1 to December 31, 2013)**

STANDING COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEE	NUMBER OF MEETINGS			NUMBER OF WITNESSES	NUMBER OF REPORTS
	Total	Televised	Video conference		
Standing Committee (SECU)	22	2	10	54	1
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SSEC)	1	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>1</b>



## STANDING COMMITTEE ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN (FEWO)

For the period of April 1 to June 30, 2013, the Standing Committee on the Status of Women completed the hearings on its study of *Sexual Harassment in the Federal Workplace*. The Committee also considered Bill S-2, An Act respecting family homes situated on First Nation reserves and matrimonial interests or rights in or to structures and lands situated on those reserves, and presented its report to the House on May 23, 2013.

In the period from July to December 2013, the Committee elected a new chair, Ms. Hélène LeBlanc. The Committee finished reviewing its draft report on *Sexual Harassment in the Federal Workplace* and adopted it. The Committee also considered the votes of the Supplementary Estimates (B) 2013–14 under Human Resources and Skills Development and presented its subsequent report to the House. It also began a study of *Eating Disorders among Girls and Women*.

### MEMBERSHIP (as of December 10, 2013)

Hélène LeBlanc (Chair), Tilly O'Neill Gordon (Vice-Chair), Kirsty Duncan (Vice-Chair), Stella Ambler, Niki Ashton, Joyce Bateman, Joan Crockatt, Annick Papillon, Djaouda Sellah, Susan Truppe, Terence Young, Wai Young

### EXPENDITURES (April 1 to December 31, 2013)

STUDY NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER <sup>1</sup>	TOTAL <sup>2</sup>
Bill S-2	5,967	451	567	6,986
Sexual Harassment in the Federal Workplace	679	1,816	338	2,833
Operational Budget <sup>3</sup>	-	865	1,599	2,464
<b>TOTAL<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>6,646</b>	<b>3,132</b>	<b>2,504</b>	<b>12,282</b>

<sup>1</sup>“Other” (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

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<sup>3</sup> “Operational budget” contains expenditures for cases where no separate funding request has been made in relation to a study or an activity of a committee.

### MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1 to December 31, 2013)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEE	NUMBER OF MEETINGS			NUMBER OF WITNESSES	NUMBER OF REPORTS
	Total	Televised	Video conference		
Standing Committee (FEWO)	22	11	9	69	2
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SFEW)	3	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>2</b>

## STANDING COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORT, INFRASTRUCTURE AND COMMUNITIES (TRAN)

For the period of April 1 to June 30, 2013, the Standing Committee on Transport, Infrastructure and Communities examined Bill C-52, An Act to amend the Canada Transportation Act (administration, air and railway transportation and arbitration). It also began a study entitled *How Competition Can Make Infrastructure Dollars Go Further*.

During the period from July to December 2013, the Committee held a meeting pursuant to Standing Order 106(4) to discuss a request to undertake a study of rail safety measures. In November, the Committee considered the Supplementary Estimates (B) 2013-14 under Infrastructure, Communities and Intergovernmental Affairs and Transport. The Committee also began a study of the *Review of the Canadian Transportation Safety Regime: Transportation of Dangerous Goods and Safety Management Systems*. Officials from the Department of Transport, as well as the Auditor General of Canada, appeared before the Committee in relation to the study. On December 18, the Committee began a study of the *Recent Changes Announced by Canada Post*, hearing from ten witnesses that day, including the President and Chief Executive Officer of Canada Post.

### MEMBERSHIP (as of December 10, 2013)

Larry Miller (Chair), Olivia Chow (Vice-Chair), David J. McGuinty (Vice-Chair), Harold Albrecht, Marjolaine Boutin-Sweet, Peter Braid, Ed Komarnicki, Hoang Mai, Mike Sullivan, Lawrence Toet, Jeff Watson, Wai Young

### EXPENDITURES (April 1 to December 31, 2013)

STUDY NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER <sup>1</sup>	TOTAL <sup>2</sup>
Bill C-52	-	-	49	49
How Competition Can Make Infrastructure Dollars Go Further	3,708	1,320	395	5,423
Review of the Canadian Transportation Safety Regime: Transportation of Dangerous Goods and Safety Management Systems	-	-	61	61
Operational Budget <sup>3</sup>	-	708	270	978
<b>TOTAL<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>3,708</b>	<b>2,028</b>	<b>775</b>	<b>6,511</b>

<sup>1</sup>“Other” (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

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<sup>3</sup>“Operational budget” contains expenditures for cases where no separate funding request has been made in relation to a study or an activity of a committee.

**STANDING COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORT, INFRASTRUCTURE AND COMMUNITIES (TRAN) (CONT'D)**

**MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1 to December 31, 2013)**

STANDING COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEE	NUMBER OF MEETINGS			NUMBER OF WITNESSES	NUMBER OF REPORTS
	Total	Televised	Video conference		
Standing Committee (TRAN)	21	13	1	57	2
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (STRA)	1	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>2</b>

## STANDING COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AFFAIRS (ACVA)

During the period from April to June 2013, the Standing Committee on Veterans Affairs undertook two subject matter studies related to its mandate. The Committee commenced a *Comparative Analysis Study of the Services and Benefits Offered to Veterans by Canada and its Allies*. The Committee also studied the subject matter of clauses 156 to 160 of Bill C-60, An Act to implement certain provisions of the budget tabled in Parliament on March 21, 2013 and other measures. In addition, the Committee completed a study of *Depleted Uranium and Canadian Veterans* and presented a report to the House in June 2013. The Committee also considered Bill S-213, An Act respecting a national day of remembrance to honour Canadian veterans of the Korean War.

In the period from July to December 2013, the Committee elected a new chair, Mr. Royal Galipeau. The Committee considered the Supplementary Estimates (B) 2013–14 under Veterans Affairs and studied the programs and activities of Veterans Affairs Canada. The Committee began its statutory review of the *Enhanced New Veterans Charter Act*.

### MEMBERSHIP (as of December 10, 2013)

Royal Galipeau (Chair), Peter Stoffer (Vice-Chair), Jim Karygiannis (Vice-Chair), Sylvain Chicoine, Corneliu Chisu, Parm Gill, Laurie Hawn, Bryan Hayes, Wladyslaw Lizon, Ben Lobb, Manon Perreault, John Rafferty

### EXPENDITURES (April 1 to December 31, 2013)

STUDY NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER <sup>1</sup>	TOTAL <sup>2</sup>
Subject Matter of Clauses 156 to 160 (Pension Act and War Veterans Allowance Act) of Bill C-60	3,128	-	-	3,128
Depleted Uranium and Canadian Veterans	1,144	-	34	1,178
Statutory Review of the Enhanced New Veterans Charter Act	4,242	-	816	5,058
Operational Budget <sup>3</sup>	-	-	1,508	1,508
<b>TOTAL<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>8,514</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,358</b>	<b>10,872</b>

## STANDING COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AFFAIRS (ACVA) (CONT'D)

### TRAVEL EXPENDITURES (April 1 to December 31, 2013)

STUDY NAME	TRANSPORTATION	ACCOMMODATION	PER DIEMS	OTHER <sup>4</sup>	TOTAL <sup>2</sup>
For the purpose of inquiring about programs and benefits offered to veterans by veteran organizations, Government and NGOs and to visit the Walter Reed National Military Medical Center – Washington, D.C., USA	19,185	4,267	1,573	2,023	27,048
<b>TOTAL<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>19,185</b>	<b>4,267</b>	<b>1,573</b>	<b>2,023</b>	<b>27,048</b>

<sup>1</sup>“Other” (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

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### MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1 to December 31, 2013)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEE	NUMBER OF MEETINGS			NUMBER OF WITNESSES	NUMBER OF REPORTS
	Total	Televised	Video conference		
Standing Committee (ACVA)	20	-	3	38	3
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SACV)	-	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>3</b>

## LIAISON COMMITTEE (LIAI)

The Liaison Committee is composed of the Chairs of all the standing committees and the House Chairs of standing joint committees. Its main responsibility is to apportion funds to standing committees from the money allocated for that purpose by the Board of Internal Economy, a responsibility usually delegated to the Subcommittee on Committee Budgets. The Subcommittee met four times since the beginning of the fiscal year to consider budget requests relating to committee travel and for the annual pre-budget consultations.

The Committee met twice during the period from April to December 2013, to consider a variety of financial and administrative matters, including policies surrounding committee travel and the printing of committee reports. The Committee also approved two pilot projects on electronic access to committee documents on mobile devices and the use of IP technology for videoconferences. The Committee adopted its First Report on Committee Activities and Expenditures, which was presented to the House in November 2013.

### MEMBERSHIP (as of December 10, 2013)

Dean Allison (Chair), David Christopherson (Vice-Chair), Harold Albrecht, Leon Benoit, Gordon Brown, Chris Charlton, Michael D. Chong, Pierre-Luc Dusseault, Royal Galipeau, Peter Kent, Greg Kerr, Daryl Kramp, H el ene LeBlanc, Pat Martin, Phil McColeman, Rob Merrifield, Larry Miller, Joe Preston, James Rajotte, Bev Shipley, Joy Smith, David Sweet, David Tilson, Mike Wallace, Chris Warkentin, Rodney Weston

### EXPENDITURES (April 1 to December 31, 2013)

STUDY NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER <sup>1</sup>	TOTAL <sup>2</sup>
Operational Budget <sup>3</sup>	-	-	1,262	1,262
<b>TOTAL<sup>2</sup></b>	-	-	<b>1,262</b>	<b>1,262</b>

<sup>1</sup> "Other" (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

<sup>2</sup> Differences in totals are due to rounding.

<sup>3</sup> "Operational budget" contains expenditures for cases where no separate funding request has been made in relation to a study or an activity of a committee.

### MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1 to December 31, 2013)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEE	NUMBER OF MEETINGS			NUMBER OF WITNESSES	NUMBER OF REPORTS
	Total	Televised	Video conference		
Standing Committee (LIAI)	2	-	-	2	1
Subcommittee on Committee Budgets (SBLI)	4	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>

## STANDING JOINT COMMITTEE ON THE LIBRARY OF PARLIAMENT (BILI)

During the period from April to December 2013, the Standing Joint Committee on the Library of Parliament met once when it re-elected Senator Marie-P. Charette-Poulin as Senate Joint-Chair and elected Mr. Greg Kerr as the new House Joint-Chair.

### MEMBERSHIP (as of December 10, 2013)

Greg Kerr (Joint Chair), Marie-P. Charette-Poulin (Joint Chair), Carol Hughes (Vice-Chair), Scott Simms (Vice-Chair), Rod Bruinooge, Blaine Calkins, Anne C. Cools, Nicole Eaton, Peter Goldring, Peter Kent, Terry M. Mercer, Peggy Nash, José Nunez-Melo, François Pilon, Michel Rivard, Brad Trost, Mark Warawa

### EXPENDITURES (April 1 to December 31, 2013)

STUDY NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER <sup>1</sup>	TOTAL <sup>2</sup>
Operational Budget <sup>3</sup>	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL<sup>2</sup></b>	-	-	-	-

<sup>1</sup> "Other" (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

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### MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1 to December 31, 2013)

STANDING JOINT COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEE	NUMBER OF MEETINGS			NUMBER OF WITNESSES	NUMBER OF REPORTS
	Total	Televised	Video conference		
Standing Joint Committee (BILI)	1	-	-	-	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1</b>

## STANDING JOINT COMMITTEE ON SCRUTINY OF REGULATIONS (REGS)

During the period from April 1 to June 30, 2013, the Standing Joint Committee on Scrutiny of Regulations (REGS) continued its review of statutory instruments and considered over 230 regulations, pursuant to its permanent order of reference, as set out in the *Statutory Instruments Act*.

In the period from July to December 2013, the Committee resumed its review of statutory instruments and considered 146 regulations.

### MEMBERSHIP (as of December 10, 2013)

Chris Charlton (Joint Chair), Bob Runciman (Joint Chair), Garry Breitkreuz (Vice-Chair), Mauril Bélanger (Vice-Chair), Dan Albas, Stella Ambler, Rob Anders, Paulina Ayala, Denise Batters, Rob Clarke, Réjean Genest, Sana Hassainia, Céline Hervieux-Payette, Wilfred P. Moore, Nancy Ruth, Gary Schellenberger, David P. Smith, Scott Tannas, Betty E. Unger, Maurice Vellacott

### EXPENDITURES (April 1 to December 31, 2013)

STUDY NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER <sup>1</sup>	TOTAL <sup>2</sup>
Operational Budget <sup>3</sup>	-	-	1,142	1,142
<b>TOTAL<sup>2</sup></b>	-	-	1,142	1,142

<sup>1</sup>“Other” (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

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### MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1 to December 31, 2013)

STANDING JOINT COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEE	NUMBER OF MEETINGS			NUMBER OF WITNESSES	NUMBER OF REPORTS
	Total	Televised	Video conference		
Standing Joint Committee (REGS)	7	-	-	-	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1</b>



## SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON VIOLENCE AGAINST INDIGENOUS WOMEN (IWFA)

The Special Committee on Violence Against Indigenous Women was created by motion of the House on February 26, 2013. It met for the first time on March 26 for the purpose of electing a Chair and two vice-chairs. The Committee held another seven meetings from April until the end of June during which it heard from 28 witnesses.

The Special Committee was restored by motion of the House at the beginning of the Second Session of the 41<sup>st</sup> Parliament, and continued its study of violence against indigenous women. During that time, it held four meetings in which it heard from 26 witnesses.

### MEMBERSHIP (as of December 10, 2013)

Stella Ambler (Chair), Jean Crowder (Vice-Chair), Carolyn Bennett (Vice-Chair), Niki Ashton, Kelly Block, Lois Brown, Bob Dechert, Irene Mathyssen, Cathy McLeod, Romeo Saganash, Mark Strahl, Susan Truppe

### EXPENDITURES (April 1 to December 31, 2013)

STUDY NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER <sup>1</sup>	TOTAL <sup>2</sup>
Operational Budget	11,669	1,054	3,777	16,500
<b>TOTAL<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>11,669</b>	<b>1,054</b>	<b>3,777</b>	<b>16,500</b>

<sup>1</sup>“Other” (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

<sup>2</sup> Differences in totals are due to rounding.

### MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1 to December 31, 2013)

SPECIAL COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEE	NUMBER OF MEETINGS			NUMBER OF WITNESSES	NUMBER OF REPORTS
	Total	Televised	Video conference		
Special Committee (IWFA)	11	-	3	54	-
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SIWF)	2	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>-</b>

## COMMITTEE EXPENDITURES SUMMARY (April 1 to December 31, 2013)

### STANDING COMMITTEES

COMMITTEE NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER <sup>1</sup>	TRAVEL	TOTAL <sup>2</sup>
Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development (AANO)	46,952	1,939	1,230	-	50,121
Access to Information, Privacy and Ethics (ETHI)	524	-	1,151	-	1,675
Agriculture and Agri-Food (AGRI)	13,126	3,322	4,182	14,284	34,914
Canadian Heritage (CHPC)	8,473	1,418	1,349	-	11,240
Citizenship and Immigration (CIMM)	18,352	1,205	7,201	-	26,758
Environment and Sustainable Development (ENVI)	9,404	6,109	3,603	-	19,116
Finance (FINA)	39,678	9,222	9,172	-	58,072
Fisheries and Oceans (FOPO)	923	3,490	2,370	-	6,783
Foreign Affairs and International Development (FAAE)	21,581	5,523	5,967	37,749	70,820
Government Operations and Estimates (OGGO)	2,851	1,141	4,589	-	8,581
Health (HESA)	20,272	1,800	1,911	-	23,983
Human Resources, Skills and Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities (HUMA)	13,817	1,833	2,807	-	18,457
Industry, Science and Technology (INDU)	3,834	3,759	2,082	-	9,675
International Trade (CIIT)	15,054	838	-	30,876	46,768
Justice and Human Rights (JUST)	32,311	520	2,899	-	35,730
National Defence (NDDN)	9,415	-	1,830	70,319	81,564
Natural Resources (RNNR)	8,649	5,579	1,878	-	16,106
Official Languages (LANG)	7,471	2,982	599	-	11,052
Procedure and House Affairs (PROC)	182	276	7,881	-	8,339
Public Accounts (PACP)	-	-	1,538	-	1,538
Public Safety and National Security (SECU)	5,848	3,815	2,802	141,967	154,432
Status of Women (FEWO)	6,646	3,132	2,504	-	12,282
Transport, Infrastructure and Communities (TRAN)	3,708	2,028	775	-	6,511
Veterans Affairs (ACVA)	8,514	-	2,358	27,048	37,920
Liaison (LIAI)	-	-	1,262	-	1,262
<b>TOTAL<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>297,585</b>	<b>59,931</b>	<b>73,940</b>	<b>322,243</b>	<b>753,699</b>

## COMMITTEE EXPENDITURES SUMMARY (CONT'D)

### STANDING JOINT COMMITTEES

COMMITTEE NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER <sup>1</sup>	TRAVEL	TOTAL <sup>2</sup>
Library of Parliament (BIL)	-	-	-	-	-
Scrutiny of Regulations (REGS)	-	-	1,142	-	1,142
<b>TOTAL<sup>2</sup></b>	-	-	1,142	-	1,142

### SPECIAL COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER <sup>1</sup>	TRAVEL	TOTAL <sup>2</sup>
Violence Against Indigenous Women (IWFA)	11,669	1,054	3,777	-	16,500
<b>TOTAL<sup>2</sup></b>	11,669	1,054	3,777	-	16,500

### TOTAL ALL COMMITTEES

ALL COMMITTEES	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER <sup>1</sup>	TRAVEL	TOTAL <sup>2</sup>
<b>GRAND TOTAL<sup>2</sup></b>	309,254	60,985	78,859	322,243	771,341

<sup>1</sup>“Other” (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

<sup>2</sup> Differences in totals are due to rounding.

A copy of the relevant *Minutes of Proceedings* ([Meeting No. 2](#)) is tabled.

Respectfully submitted,

Dean Allison  
Chair