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# INTRODUCTION

Each year, parliamentary committees undertake numerous studies based on permanent or specific mandates given to them by the House of Commons. For instance, they study bills and may amend them before sending them back to the House of Commons. They are involved in the financial process by examining departmental estimates, reports on plans and priorities (RPPs), and performance reports. They also participate in the review of order in council appointments by calling nominees to appear. Furthermore, Committees may initiate their own studies on issues related to the subject area of their mandates. In conducting these studies, committees will hear from witnesses, and, in most cases, will present a report of their findings and recommendations back to the House of Commons. Given the number and scope of their duties it is clear that committees play an essential role in the work of the House of Commons.

The Liaison Committee, composed ex officio of the Chairs of all the standing committees and the House Co-Chairs of standing joint committees, is empowered to deliberate on administrative matters relating to the standing committee system. Its main responsibility is to apportion funds to standing committees from the money allocated for that purpose by the Board of Internal Economy. This global envelope for committee activities, which was in the amount of \$3.1M, for the 2016-2017 fiscal year, is available to committee approved the creation of regular reports of the Committee Activities and Expenditures, which continues with this report.

As their name suggests, these reports, which are presented three times per fiscal year, present cumulative financial information on the committees' expenditures and the work they are doing. This is the final step in the life cycle of committee activities after the committees have been delegated their mandate, have identified their objectives and determined how to fulfill them, prepared studies or travel budgets, secured the necessary funding from the global envelope for committee activities and completed their studies. This year, committee expenditures for standing, joint, special, and legislative committees reached \$3.26 million, with committees conducting various studies over the course of 1,385 meetings, hearing 6,192 witnesses and presenting 172 reports to the House.

The reports presented by the Liaison Committee serve three purposes. First, they give members of Parliament—especially committee chairs—and the House, information to ensure better financial planning, and provide a summary of their work.

Second, they complement the information provided to committee chairs on a monthly basis and serve as a consolidated information source for the public. Special committees, funded directly by the Board of Internal Economy, are also included in the report. By summarizing and consolidating in a single document statistics regarding the number of meetings, meeting hours, reports and witnesses for each of the committees, these reports provide readers with a concise summary of committee activities, presented in an format that is intended to help readers to better understand the work of committees.

Third, these reports serve as essential reporting and accountability mechanisms, not only for activities, but also for the use of the resources at the committees' disposal. They are among the many reports available to Canadians, including the *Members' Expenditures Report*, the *Report to Canadians*, the *Financial Statements of the House of Commons* and even the *Public Accounts of Canada*.

It is important to note that in certain instances there may be minor discrepancies between the expenditure amounts in this report and those of a previous report from the same fiscal year. These differences can be attributed to a number of things. For instances, invoices for a trip or a study may have been received following the preparation of the report and would therefore only show in the following report. In other cases and as permitted by the Liaison Committee, a committee may have used its basic operational budgets as interim funding for a study awaiting budgetary approval and once approval was received, the expenditures were then transferred from the basic operational budget to the study budget. In these latter instances, the expenditures remain the same but are allocated to a different budget.

We hope this report, which covers the period April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017, will provide invaluable information on the activities of committees, thus giving a better sense of their important work on behalf of Canadians.

For further information, please contact the Liaison Committee at LIAI@parl.gc.ca.

# **STANDING COMMITTEES**

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

From April 1 to August 31, 2016, the Committee undertook a study on the *Access to Information Act*, hearing 44 witnesses over the course of 13 meetings. It presented a report on the subject on June 16. The Committee also held two meetings on a study of the *Privacy Act*. In addition, the Committee considered the votes of the *Main Estimates 2016-17* that were referred to it by the House. It dedicated two other meetings to hearing from the four commissioners concerned before presenting a report recommending that the proposed votes be adopted. Finally, the Committee spent one meeting with the Minister of National Revenue and two officials on the issue of the *Transfer of Information to the United States Internal Revenue Service (IRS)*.

From September 1 to December 31, 2016, the Committee continued and completed its review of the *Privacy Act*. It held 12 meetings, during which it heard from 45 witnesses. These witnesses included ministers, the Privacy Commissioner of Canada, provincial information and privacy commissioners, government officials and privacy experts from legal firms, universities and advocacy groups. On December 12, the Committee presented its Fourth Report, "Protecting the Privacy of Canadians: Review of the Privacy Act". It also undertook a study of the *Security of Canada Information Sharing Act* (SCISA). The Committee also considered the *Supplementary Estimates (B), 2016-17* and reported them to the House on November 25.

From January 1 to March 31, 2017, the Committee continued its study of the *Security of Canada Information Sharing Act* (SCISA). After holding 12 meetings and hearing from 42 witnesses, the Committee began to consider a draft report. During this same period, it studied the *Personal Information Protection and Electronic Documents Act* (PIPEDA). To date, 26 witnesses have appeared before the Committee over six meetings. The Committee also considered the government response to its Second Report on the *Access to Information Act*, tabled in the House in June 2016. Lastly, on January 29, Joël Lightbound resigned from his position as vice-chair; his replacement, Nathaniel Erskine-Smith, was elected on February 2.

#### MEMBERSHIP (as of March 31, 2017)

Blaine Calkins (Chair), Nathaniel Erskine-Smith (Vice-Chair), Daniel Blaikie (Vice-Chair), Bob Bratina, Emmanuel Dubourg, Ali Ehsassi, Matt Jeneroux, Pat Kelly, Wayne Long, Raj Saini

STUDY NAME <sup>1</sup>	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCES	OTHER <sup>2</sup>	TOTAL <sup>3</sup>
Operational Budget <sup>4</sup>	-	-	2,128	2,128
Access to Information Act	6,927	2,133	584	9,644
Privacy Act	7,045	2,000	437	9,482
Security of Canada Information Sharing Act (SCISA)	1,651	1,206	734	3,591
Personal Information Protection and Electronic Documents Act (PIPEDA)	151	3,288	258	3,697
TOTAL <sup>3</sup>	15,776	8,626	4,141	28,542

#### EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

<sup>1</sup> Studies for which expenses were made are listed in chronological order.

<sup>2</sup> "Other" (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

<sup>3</sup> Differences in totals are due to rounding.

#### MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND	NUMBER OF MEETINGS			TOTAL MEETING	NUMBER OF	NUMBER OF	
SUBCOMMITTEE	TOTAL	τν¹	VC <sup>2</sup>	VR <sup>3</sup>	HOURS	WITNESSES	REPORTS
Standing Committee (ETHI)	46	4	12	2	80h00m	160	4
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SETH) <sup>4</sup>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	46	4	12	2	80h00m	160	4

<sup>1</sup>Number of televised meetings.

Number of televised meetings.
<sup>2</sup> Number of meetings using videoconferencing.
<sup>3</sup> Number of meetings video recorded by members of the Canadian Parliamentary Press Gallery.

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

From April 1 to August 31, 2016, the Committee studied the *Trans-Pacific Partnership* and carried out the *Canada Transportation Act Review—Grain Sector* in April. In May, the Committee reviewed *Canada's Preferential Status under the United States Perishable Agricultural Commodities Act (PACA)* and presented its Third Report, entitled "Supply Management, Dairy Producers and the Canadian Dairy Industry", to the House on May 17. The Committee also studied *Bee Health Monitoring in Canada*. In June, it began a study on the *Next Agricultural Policy Framework*.

In the period from September 1 to December 31, 2016, the Committee held 21 meetings. It continued hearing witnesses as part of its study of the *Next Agricultural Policy Framework*. It also undertook a study on *Genetically Modified Animals for Human Consumption*, culminating in the Fourth Report of the Committee, which was presented to the House on December 12. The Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food and departmental officials appeared before the Committee on the *Subject Matter of Supplementary Estimates (B), 2016-17*. The Committee also held a *Briefing on Bovine Tuberculosis in Alberta*.

From January 1 to March 31, 2017, the Committee completed the study on the *Next Agricultural Policy Framework*, culminating in the Fifth Report which was presented to the House on March 8. It also undertook studies on *Non-Tariff Trade* Barriers to the Sale of Agricultural Products in Relation to Free Trade Agreements, PMRA Decision Concerning the Neonicotinoid Insecticide Imidacloprid and Amendments to Health of Animals Regulations (Humane Transportation).

#### MEMBERSHIP (as of March 31, 2017)

Pat Finnigan (Chair), Bev Shipley (Vice-Chair), Ruth Ellen Brosseau (Vice-Chair), David Anderson, Pierre Breton, Francis Drouin, Jacques Gourde, Alaina Lockhart, Lloyd Longfield, Joe Peschisolido

STUDY NAME <sup>1</sup>	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCES	OTHER <sup>2</sup>	TOTAL <sup>3</sup>
Operational Budget <sup>4</sup>	-	-	1,529	1,529
Canada's Preferential Status under the United States Perishable Agricultural Commodities Act (PACA)	-	545	216	761
Trans-Pacific Partnership	697	-	169	866
Bee Health Monitoring in Canada	3,167	758	240	4,164
Genetically Modified Animals for Human Consumption	1,592	-	215	1,807
Next Agricultural Policy Framework	14,271	870	1,147	16,288
Briefing on Bovine Tuberculosis in Alberta	1,775	812	-	2,587
Non-Tariff Trade Barriers to the Sale of Agricultural Products in Relation to Free Trade Agreements	1,661	-	548	2,208
PMRA Decision Concerning the Neonicotinoid Insecticide Imidacloprid	2,292	-	718	3,010
TOTAL <sup>3</sup>	25,455	2,984	4,782	33,221

#### EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

<sup>1</sup> Studies for which expenses were made are listed in chronological order.

<sup>2</sup> "Other" (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

<sup>3</sup> Differences in totals are due to rounding.

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

# TRAVEL EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

STUDY NAME	TRANSPORTATION	ACCOMMODATION	PER DIEMS	OTHER <sup>2</sup>	TOTAL <sup>1</sup>
Next Agricultural Policy Framework	17,325	12,115	-	2,701	32,140
TOTAL <sup>1</sup>	17,325	12,115	-	2,701	32,140

<sup>1</sup> Differences in totals are due to rounding. <sup>2</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, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND	N	NUMBER OF MEETINGS			TOTAL MEETING	NUMBER OF	NUMBER OF
SUBCOMMITTEE	TOTAL	τν <sup>1</sup>	VC <sup>2</sup>	VR <sup>3</sup>	HOURS	WITNESSES	REPORTS
Standing Committee (AGRI)	44	2	6	-	71h44m	138	4
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SAGR) <sup>4</sup>	3	-	-	-	2h22m	-	-
TOTAL	47	2	6	-	74h06m	138	4

<sup>1</sup> Number of televised meetings. <sup>2</sup> Number of meetings using videoconferencing.

<sup>3</sup> Number of meetings video recorded by members of the Canadian Parliamentary Press Gallery.

## STANDING COMMITTEE ON CANADIAN HERITAGE (CHPC)

During the period from April 1 to August 31, 2016, the Committee held 16 meetings. It continued its study of *The Media and Local Communities*, for which it held nine meetings and heard 49 witnesses. The Committee also launched a study on *The State of Canadian Museums*, for which it held three meetings and heard 13 witnesses, including officials from the Department of Canadian Heritage. It also considered Bill C-210, *An Act to amend the National Anthem Act (gender)*, at one meeting, hearing from one witness. The Committee reported the Bill without amendment on June 3. On April 14, the Minister of Canadian Heritage and the Minister of Sport and Persons with Disabilities appeared before the Committee to report on their respective ministerial mandates. The same day, the Committee considered the *Main Estimates 2016-17* and reported them to the House on April 20. The Committee also received briefings on the Canada Council for the Arts, Telefilm Canada, the Canadian Race Relations Foundation, the Canadian Museum of History and the Canadian Museum of Nature, as well as on the activities of the Canadian Olympic and Paralympic Committee.

Between September 1 and December 31, 2016, the Committee continued its study of *The Media and Local Communities* and released some of its findings on December 8 in an interim report, its Third Report. The Committee undertook a study of *Canadian Women and Girls in Sport* and heard from 27 witnesses. The Committee also considered the *Supplementary Estimates (B), 2016-17*, and held a meeting on the *Reinvestment Plan of the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation (CBC)*.

Between January 1 and March 31, 2017, the Committee finished gathering evidence for its study of *The Media and Local Communities* and began the consideration of a draft report. Having issued drafting instructions, the Committee considered a draft report for the study of *Canadian Women and Girls in Sport*. The Committee studied Bill C-311, *An Act to amend the Holidays Act (Remembrance Day)*, and reported it to the House with amendments. The Committee held a briefing from the Director and Chief Executive Officer of the Canada Council for the Arts concerning its operation and plans. At the end of March, the Committee was preparing to continue its study of *The State of Canadian Museums* and to begin a study of *Indigenous Participation in Sport*.

#### MEMBERSHIP (as of March 31, 2017)

Hon. Hedy Fry (Chair), Larry Maguire (Vice-Chair), Pierre Nantel (Vice-Chair), Pierre Breton, Julie Dabrusin, Seamus O'Regan, Darrell Samson, Dan Vandal, Hon. Peter Van Loan, Kevin Waugh

# STANDING COMMITTEE ON CANADIAN HERITAGE (CHPC) (CONT'D)

# EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCES	OTHER <sup>2</sup>	TOTAL <sup>3</sup>
Operational Budget <sup>4</sup>	34	-	6,801	6,835
The Media and Local Communities	18,016	6,015	759	24,791
Briefing on the Canadian Race Relations Foundation	3,151	-	-	3,151
The State of Canadian Museums	2,670	-	433	3,103
Canadian Women and Girls in Sport	2,958	2,018	467	5,443
Bill C-311	2,466	800	190	3,456
TOTAL <sup>3</sup>	29,295	8,833	8,651	46,779

<sup>1</sup> Studies for which expenses were made are listed in chronological order.

<sup>2</sup> "Other" (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

<sup>3</sup> Differences in totals are due to rounding.

<sup>4</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, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND	N	NUMBER OF MEETINGS		TOTAL MEETING	NUMBER OF	NUMBER OF	
SUBCOMMITTEE	TOTAL	τν¹	VC <sup>2</sup>	VR <sup>3</sup>	HOURS	WITNESSES	REPORTS
Standing Committee (CHPC)	45	13	11	2	81h32m	188	4
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SCHP) <sup>4</sup>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	45	13	11	2	81h32m	188	4

<sup>1</sup>Number of televised meetings.

<sup>2</sup> Number of meetings using videoconferencing.

<sup>3</sup> Number of meetings video recorded by members of the Canadian Parliamentary Press Gallery.

#### STANDING COMMITTEE ON CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION (CIMM)

Between April 1 and August 31, 2016, the Committee held 22 meetings. It considered Bill C-6, *An Act to amend the Citizenship Act and to make consequential amendments to another Act*, which it reported back to the House on May 5, with amendments. The Committee completed its study of the *Situation Facing Nationals of Haiti and Zimbabwe* and presented its Fourth Report to the House on May 16. The Committee considered the *Main Estimates 2016-17*, the *Supplementary Estimates (A), 2016-17*, and the *2016 Immigration Levels Plan*. The Committee began a study on the *Federal Government's Initiative to Resettle Syrian Refugees to Canada*, and heard from 57 witnesses during this period. On June 19, the Committee adopted a motion to conduct a study as soon as possible on *Immigration Measures for the Protection of Vulnerable Groups*. The study took place July 18 to 20, and included the testimony of 41 witnesses.

From September 1 to December 31, 2016, the Committee held 17 meetings. It continued its two studies on the *Immigration Measures for the Protection of Vulnerable Groups* and on the *Federal Government's Initiative to Resettle Syrian Refugees to Canada*. The Sixth and Seventh Reports relative to these studies were presented to the House on October 5 and November 1, respectively. During this period, the Committee also devoted nine meetings to a study on *Family Reunification* and heard from 51 witnesses. The Committee also agreed to initiate a study on *Resettling Yazidi Women and Girls*. The Committee also conducted studies on the *Subject Matter of the Supplementary Estimates (B), 2016-17*, and *Canada's 2017 Immigration Levels Plan*. Finally, just prior to the December adjournment, the Committee began a study on the *Modernization of Client Service Delivery*, hearing from officials from the Department of Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada.

Between January 1 and March 31, 2017, the Committee held nine meetings. It completed two studies which had carried over from the fall: *Family Reunification* and *Modernization of Client Service Delivery*. The Eighth and Ninth reports relative to these studies were presented to the House on March 9 and March 23, respectively. The Committee also began a study on *Immigration Consultants*, holding two meetings and hearing from 15 witnesses on the subject to date. This study is scheduled to continue into the spring. Finally, the Committee also conducted studies on the *Subject Matter of the Supplementary Estimates (C), 2016-17,* the *Main Estimates 2017-18,* and held a *Briefing on the Updated Ministerial Mandate Letter.* The Committee's Tenth report relative to the *Main Estimates 2017-18* was presented to the House on March 23.

#### MEMBERSHIP (as of March 31, 2017)

Borys Wrzesnewskyj (Chair), David Tilson (Vice-Chair), Jenny Kwan (Vice-Chair), Gary Anandasangaree, Julie Dzerowicz, Hon. Michelle Rempel, Randeep Sarai, Bob Saroya, Marwan Tabbara, Salma Zahid

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

#### EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

STUDY NAME <sup>1</sup>	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCES	OTHER <sup>2</sup>	TOTAL <sup>3</sup>
Operational Budget <sup>4</sup>	-	-	4,576	4,576
Study of the Situation Facing Nationals of Haiti and Zimbabwe	-	-	307	307
Bill C-6	9,929	639	849	11,417
Federal Government's Initiative to Resettle Syrian Refugees to Canada	20,401	4,394	2,551	27,346
Immigration Measures for the Protection of Vulnerable Groups	17,926	6,413	2,365	26,703
Family Reunification	11,663	5,355	1,747	18,765
Resettling Yazidi Girls and Women	-	213	399	612
Modernization of Client Service Delivery	6,064	250	370	6,683
Immigration Consultants	3,866	-	286	4,152
TOTAL <sup>3</sup>	69,848	17,264	13,449	100,560

<sup>1</sup> Studies for which expenses were made are listed in chronological order.

<sup>2</sup> "Other" (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

<sup>3</sup> Differences in totals are due to rounding.

<sup>4</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, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND	N	NUMBER OF MEETINGS			TOTAL MEETING	NUMBER OF	NUMBER OF
SUBCOMMITTEE	TOTAL	TV1	VC <sup>2</sup>	VR <sup>3</sup>	HOURS	WITNESSES	REPORTS
Standing Committee (CIMM)	49	15	23	2	104h01m	287	9
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SCIM) <sup>4</sup>	9	-	-	-	7h33m	-	-
TOTAL	58	15	23	2	111h34m	287	9

<sup>1</sup>Number of televised meetings.

<sup>2</sup> Number of meetings using videoconferencing.

<sup>3</sup> Number of meetings video recorded by members of the Canadian Parliamentary Press Gallery.

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

In the period between April 1 and August 31, 2016, the Committee concluded its study of the *Federal Sustainable Development Act* and presented its Second Report to the House on June 17. The Committee commenced a study on *Federal Protected Areas and Conservation Objectives* and continued its study on the *Review of the Canadian Environment Protection Act, 1999.* Furthermore, the Committee considered the *Main Estimates 2016-17* and reported them back to the House on April 22. Additionally, it considered the *Subject Matter of Supplementary Estimates (C), 2015-16,* held a *Briefing by the Minister of the Environment and Climate Change on her mandate letter,* and held a meeting on the *2016 Spring Reports of the Commissioner of the Environment and Sustainable Development.* 

During the period of September 1 to December 31, 2016, the Committee continued its study of *Federal Protected Areas and Conservation Objectives*. During this study, the Committee travelled to Vancouver, Masset, Queen Charlotte, Gwaii Haanas National Park Reserve and Gulf Islands National Park Reserve, Sandspit, Victoria and Sidney, British Columbia, and to Calgary, Banff, Lake Louise, Jasper and Edmonton, Alberta, for site visits. The Committee continued its *Review of the Canadian Environmental Protection Act, 1999.* Furthermore, the Committee considered Bill C-238, *An Act respecting the development of a national strategy for the safe disposal of lamps containing mercury,* and reported it back to the House with amendments on November 16. The Committee also considered Bill C-18, *An Act to amend the Rouge National Urban Park Act, the Parks Canada Agency Act and the Canada National Parks Act* and reported it back to the House without amendment on December 14.

During the period of January 1 to March 31, 2017, the Committee continued its study of *Federal Protected Areas and Conservation Objectives*, which culminated with the presentation of the Fifth Report to the House on March 24. The Committee also continued its *Review of the Canadian Environmental Protection Act, 1999* by beginning consideration of a draft report.

#### MEMBERSHIP (as of March 31, 2017)

Deborah Schulte (Chair), Jim Eglinski (Vice-Chair), Linda Duncan (Vice-Chair), John Aldag, William Amos, Mike Bossio, Darren Fisher, Mark Gerretsen, Joël Godin, Martin Shields

STUDY NAME <sup>1</sup>	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCES	OTHER <sup>2</sup>	TOTAL <sup>3</sup>
Operational Budget <sup>4</sup>	-	-	3,940	3,940
Review of the Canadian Environmental Protection Act, 1999	10,252	4,579	1,663	16,494
Main Estimates 2016-17	-	-	477	477
Federal Sustainable Development Act	2,382	2,489	1,185	6,056
Federal Protected Areas and Conservation Objectives	5,281	8,508	2,586	16,376
Bill C-18	391	224	86	701
TOTAL <sup>3</sup>	18,307	15,800	9,937	44,044

# EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

<sup>1</sup> Studies for which expenses were made are listed in chronological order.

<sup>2</sup> "Other" (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

<sup>3</sup> Differences in totals are due to rounding.

# TRAVEL EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

STUDY NAME	TRANSPORTATION	ACCOMMODATION	PER DIEMS	OTHER <sup>2</sup>	TOTAL <sup>1</sup>
Federal Protected Areas and Conservation Objectives – Vancouver, Masset, Queen Charlotte, Sandspit, Victoria and Sidney (British Columbia), Calgary, Banff, Lake Louise, Jasper and Edmonton (Alberta)	53,747	12,194	4,684	3,631	74,256
TOTAL <sup>1</sup>	53,747	12,194	4,684	3,631	74,256

<sup>1</sup> Differences in totals are due to rounding.

<sup>2</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, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND	N	NUMBER OF MEETINGS			TOTAL MEETING	NUMBER OF	NUMBER OF
SUBCOMMITTEE	TOTAL	τν¹	VC <sup>2</sup>	VR <sup>3</sup>	HOURS	WITNESSES	REPORTS
Standing Committee (ENVI)	45	1	15	-	87h04m	183	5
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SENV) <sup>4</sup>	6	-	-	-	3h53m	-	-
TOTAL	51	1	15	-	90h57m	183	5

<sup>1</sup>Number of televised meetings.

<sup>2</sup> Number of meetings using videoconferencing.

<sup>3</sup> Number of meetings video recorded by members of the Canadian Parliamentary Press Gallery.

#### **STANDING COMMITTEE ON FINANCE (FINA)**

From April 1 to August 31, 2016, the Committee held 18 meetings. In April, the Committee considered Bill C-2, *An Act to Amend the Income Tax Act*, and reported it back to the House without amendment on May 2. The Committee then heard the Governor of the Bank of Canada on the *Report of the Bank of Canada on Monetary Policy*, as well as the Parliamentary Budget Officer on his *Economic and Fiscal Outlook*. In May, the Committee began a study of the *Canada Revenue Agency's Efforts to Combat Tax Avoidance and Evasion*. It also considered Bill C-15, *An Act to implement certain provisions of the budget tabled in Parliament on March 22, 2016 and other measures*, and reported it back to the House with an amendment on June 1. The Committee also held a meeting on the *Main Estimates 2016-17*. Finally, the Committee heard from the Parliamentary Budget Officer on the *Cost Estimate of Bill C-239, An Act to Amend the Income Tax Act (charitable gifts)* and *Cost Estimate of Bill C-241, An Act to Amend the Excise Act (school authorities)*, as well as recent reports from his office.

From September 1 to December 31, 2016, the Committee held a meeting at the request of four members to discuss the Canada Pension Plan Agreement (on September 9), inviting the Minister of Finance and departmental officials to appear on this matter (on September 19). The Committee completed its study of the *Canada Revenue Agency's Efforts to Combat Tax Avoidance and Evasion* and presented its Sixth Report to the House on October 26. The Committee began its *Pre-Budget Consultations in Advance of the 2017 Budget* by hearing from representatives from each regional development agency and then heard witnesses in Ottawa and in nine Canadian cities (Kelowna, Edmonton, Regina, Winnipeg, Fredericton, Charlottetown, Halifax, Québec and Toronto), including the Chair of the Advisory Council on Economic Growth. Periods of time were dedicated to audience remarks at the end of each meeting held outside Ottawa. On December 7, the Committee presented the results of its consultations in its 11<sup>th</sup> Report, "Creating the Conditions for Economic Growth: Tools for People, Businesses and Communities". The Committee also heard from the Governor of the Bank of Canada on the *Report of the Bank of Canada on Monetary Policy* and from the Parliamentary Budget Officer on his *Economic and Fiscal Outlook*. It also studied the *Canada Pension Plan Investment Board (CPPIB)* and heard from its President and Chief Executive Officer. In November and December, the Committee studied the *Supplementary Estimates (B), 2016-17*, Bill C-26, *An Act to amend the Canada Pension Plan, the Canada Pension Plan Investment Board Act and the Income Tax Act*, Bill C-29, *Budget Implementation Act, 2016, No. 2*, and Bill S-4, *Tax Convention and Arrangement Implementation Act, 2016*.

From January 1 to March 31, 2017, the Committee undertook a study on the *Canadian Real Estate Market and Home Ownership* and heard from witnesses during four meetings. The Committee also heard from Michael Sabia and Ilse Treurnicht on the *Second Report of the Advisory Council on Economic Growth*. The Committee considered Bill C-240, *An Act to amend the Income Tax Act (tax credit - first aid)*, and reported back to the House on February 23, with a recommendation that the House not proceed further with the Bill. On February 22, Pierre-Luc Dusseault was elected second vice-chair. The Committee also studied the *Supplementary Estimates (C)*, 2016-17, which it reported to the House on March 8.

#### MEMBERSHIP (as of March 31, 2017)

Hon. Wayne Easter (Chair), Ron Liepert (Vice-Chair), Pierre-Luc Dusseault (Vice-Chair), Dan Albas, Gérard Deltell, Greg Fergus, Raj Grewal, Jennifer O'Connell, Robert-Falcon Ouellette, Francesco Sorbara

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

### EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

STUDY NAME <sup>1</sup>	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCES	OTHER <sup>2</sup>	TOTAL <sup>3</sup>
Operational Budget <sup>4</sup>	-	-	5,691	5,691
Pre-Budget Consultations 2016	4,760	-		4,760
Bill C-2	1,061	1,010	885	2,956
Canada Revenue Agency's Efforts to Combat Tax Avoidance and Evasion	1,077	-	945	2,021
Main Estimates 2016-17	-	-	305	305
Bill C-15	3,837	-	2,568	6,405
Pre-Budget Consultations in Advance of the 2017 Budget	44,222	1,078	2,633	47,932
Subject Matter of Bill C-26	2,798	325	1,370	4,492
Bill C-29	959	-	1,381	2,340
Subject Matter of Bill S-4	2,052	-	456	2,507
Comprehensive Review of Canada's Tax System	293	-	-	293
Canadian Real Estate Market and Home Ownership	3,895	-	834	4,729
TOTAL <sup>3</sup>	64,953	2,413	17,067	84,433

<sup>1</sup> Studies for which expenses were made are listed in chronological order. <sup>2</sup> "Other" (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

 <sup>3</sup> Differences in totals are due to rounding.
<sup>4</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)

# TRAVEL EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

STUDY NAME <sup>1</sup>	TRANSPORTATION	ACCOMMODATION	PER DIEMS	OTHER <sup>2</sup>	TOTAL <sup>3</sup>
Pre-Budget Consultations in Advance of the 2017 Budget – Kelowna (British Columbia), Edmonton (Alberta), Regina (Saskatchewan), Winnipeg (Manitoba)	31,921	9,078	5,145	34,341	80,485
Pre-Budget Consultations in Advance of the 2017 Budget – Fredericton (New Brunswick), Charlottetown (Prince Edward Island), Halifax (Nova Scotia), Québec (Quebec), Toronto (Ontario)	24,772	12,493	6,529	33,041	76,835
TOTAL <sup>3</sup>	56,693	21,571	11,674	67,382	157,320

<sup>1</sup> Studies for which expenses were made are listed in chronological order.

<sup>2</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.

<sup>3</sup> Differences in totals are due to rounding.

#### MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND	N	NUMBER OF MEETINGS			TOTAL MEETING	NUMBER OF	NUMBER OF
SUBCOMMITTEE	TOTAL	τν <sup>1</sup>	VC <sup>2</sup>	VR <sup>3</sup>	HOURS	WITNESSES	REPORTS
Standing Committee (FINA)	62	39	5	-	157h36m	562	12
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SFIN) <sup>4</sup>	7	-	-	-	5h28m	-	-
TOTAL	69	39	5	-	163h04m	562	12

<sup>1</sup>*Number of televised meetings.* 

<sup>2</sup> Number of meetings using videoconferencing.

<sup>3</sup> Number of meetings video recorded by members of the Canadian Parliamentary Press Gallery.

## STANDING COMMITTEE ON FISHERIES AND OCEANS (FOPO)

From April 1 to August 31, 2016, the Committee held a *Briefing of the Minister of Fisheries, Oceans and the Canadian Coast Guard on his Mandate Letter* and considered the *Main Estimates 2016-17*. The Committee also finished its study of the Closure of the Comox MCTS Station of the Canadian Coast Guard and presented its Third Report to the House on May 6. It subsequently began a study of *Wild Atlantic Salmon in Eastern Canada*. In June, the Committee studied the *Relevance of the Principle of Adjacency and the Owner-Operator and Fleet Separation Policies in the Pacific Region* and held a *Briefing on the Department of Fisheries and Ocean's Priorities Regarding New Investments in Science and Assignments for New Scientists*.

From September 1 to December 31, 2016, the Committee concluded its study on *Wild Atlantic Salmon in Eastern Canada*. In relation to this study, the Committee travelled to Miramichi, New Brunswick, for public hearings and to Port de Grave and Fogo Island, Newfoundland and Labrador, for site visits. The Committee also commenced its study on the *Northern Cod Stock* and heard from 31 witnesses in Ottawa and in St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador. The Committee also considered the *Supplementary Estimates (B), 2016-17*, and presented its Fourth Report on November 25. Finally, it commenced its *Review of Changes to the Fisheries Act*, holding ten meetings and hearing from 50 witnesses, including the Minister of Fisheries, Oceans and the Canadian Coast Guard.

From January 1 and March 31, 2017, the Committee presented its Fifth Report, relative to its study on *Wild Atlantic Salmon in Eastern Canada*, on January 30. The Committee also completed its *Review of Changes to the Fisheries Act* and presented its Sixth Report on February 24. Additionally, the Committee studied Bill S-208, *An Act respecting National Seal Products Day*, and reported the bill back to the House without amendment on February 24 with its Seventh Report. The Committee also studied the *Supplementary Estimates (C), 2016-17*, as well as the *Main Estimates 2017-18*, and heard from the Minister of Fisheries, Oceans and the Canadian Coast Guard. The Committee presented its Eighth and Ninth Reports on March 10. Finally, the Committee completed its study of the *Northern Cod Stock* and presented its Tenth Report on March 20.

#### MEMBERSHIP (as of March 31, 2017)

Scott Simms (Chair), Robert Sopuck (Vice-Chair), Fin Donnelly (Vice-Chair), Mel Arnold, Todd Doherty, Pat Finnigan, Ken Hardie, Bernadette Jordan, Ken McDonald, Robert J. Morrissey

STUDY NAME <sup>1</sup>	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCES	OTHER <sup>2</sup>	TOTAL <sup>3</sup>
Operational Budget <sup>4</sup>	-	219	1,498	1,717
Closure of the Comox MCTS Station of the Canadian Coast Guard	1,721	250	226	2,197
Wild Atlantic Salmon in Eastern Canada	4,300	4,670	353	9,323
Relevance of the Principle of Adjacency and the Owner- Operator and Fleet Separation Policies in the Pacific Region	-	1,187	160	1,347
Northern Cod Stock	3,368	3,249	409	7,026
Review of Changes to the Fisheries Act	14,882	6,626	1,025	22,533
TOTAL <sup>3</sup>	24,271	16,201	3,670	44,143

# EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

<sup>1</sup> Studies for which expenses were made are listed in chronological order.

<sup>2</sup> "Other" (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

<sup>3</sup> Differences in totals are due to rounding.

# STANDING COMMITTEE ON FISHERIES AND OCEANS (FOPO) (CONT'D)

# TRAVEL EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

STUDY NAME	TRANSPORTATION	ACCOMMODATION	PER DIEMS	OTHER <sup>2</sup>	TOTAL <sup>1</sup>
Studies of Wild Atlantic Salmon in Eastern Canada and Northern Cod Stock – St. John's, Port de Grave and Fogo Island (Newfoundland and Labrador), Miramichi (New Brunswick)	39,411	10,575	5,542	13,741	69,268
TOTAL <sup>1</sup>	39,411	10,575	5,542	13,741	69,268

<sup>1</sup> Differences in totals are due to rounding.

<sup>2</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, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND	N	NUMBER OF MEETINGS			TOTAL MEETING	NUMBER OF	NUMBER OF
SUBCOMMITTEE	TOTAL	τν <sup>1</sup>	VC <sup>2</sup>	VR <sup>3</sup>	HOURS	WITNESSES	REPORTS
Standing Committee (FOPO)	47	8	16	-	84h35m	164	9
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SFOP) <sup>4</sup>	3	-	-	-	2h54m	-	-
TOTAL	50	8	16	-	87h29m	164	9

<sup>1</sup>Number of televised meetings.

<sup>2</sup> Number of meetings using videoconferencing.

<sup>3</sup> Number of meetings video recorded by members of the Canadian Parliamentary Press Gallery.

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

On April 14, the Minister of Foreign Affairs appeared before the Committee to discuss his mandate letter and the Minister of International Development and La Francophonie appeared to discuss her mandate letter on April 21. On May 5, both ministers also appeared before the Committee as part of its study of the *Main Estimates 2016-2017*. On May 31, the Committee held a *Briefing from Global Fund to Fight Aids, Tuberculosis and Malaria*. During the meeting of June 9, the Committee received a briefing as part of its studies on *Women, peace and security*, and *Canadian Government's Countries of Focus for Bilateral Development Assistance*. The Committee received permission to travel from the House on June 17 as part of its study on *Women, Peace and Security* and on the *Canadian Government's Countries of Focus for Bilateral Development Assistance*. Seven members of the Committee and necessary staff traveled to Guatemala City and Cobán, Guatemala, and Bogotá and Villavicencio, Colombia, at the end of August for visits that will conclude in early September.

From April 1 to August 31, 2016, the Subcommittee on International Human Rights held meetings on the *Human Rights Situation in Iran* and the *Human Rights Situation in Honduras*. The Subcommittee also issued a statement on the Human Rights situation in Iran. In addition, the Subcommittee produced a report on the human rights situation of the Rohongya in Myanmar entitled "Sentenced to a Slow Demise: The Plight of Myanmar's Rohingya Minority", which was presented to the House on June 17.

From September 1 to December 31, 2016, the Committee held meetings on the *Statutory Review of the Freezing Assets of Corrupt Foreign Officials Act and the Special Economic Measures Act* and on its *Case Study – Guatemala and Colombia – Women, Peace and Security, and Countries of Focus for Bilateral Developmental Assistance.* From September 1 to 8 the Committee traveled to Guatemala and Colombia to conduct its case study. The Committee presented its Fifth Report on December 1 on this subject. It also completed its studies of *Women, Peace and Security* and of *Canadian Government's Countries of Focus for Bilateral Development Assistance,* and presented its Third Report and Fourth Report on these subjects on October 6 and November 3, respectively. The Committee began a study of the *Human Rights Situation in China* in December. The Committee also began a study of *The Situation in Eastern Europe and Central Asia 25 Years After the End of the Cold War,* by receiving a briefing on December 7 from officials from the Department of Foreign Affairs, Trade and Development, in relation to its January visit to Ukraine, Kazakhstan, Latvia and Poland.

From September 1 to December 31, 2016, the Subcommittee on International Human Rights held meetings on its studies of the *Human Rights Situation in Burundi*; the *Situation of Yezidis, Christians and Other Religious and Ethnic Minorities in Syria and Iraq*; and the *Situation of Human Rights Defenders*. The Subcommittee held a *Briefing on Critical Issues and Situations in Relation to International Human Rights* on September 27. It also held a *Briefing on the Situation in Aleppo* on November 1, issuing a joint statement on this topic on November 1 and a news release on November 24. It held a *Briefing on Allegations of Organ Harvesting in China* on November 3, and on November 23, a *Briefing on the Situation in Tibet*.

Between January 1 and March 31, 2017, the Committee continued to devote meetings to its study of the *Statutory Review* of the Freezing Assets of Corrupt Foreign Officials Act and the Special Economic Measures Act and began hearing evidence on The Situation in Eastern Europe and Central Asia, 25 Years After the Cold War. From January 16 to 28, the Committee travelled to Ukraine, Kazakhstan, Latvia and Poland in relation to this study. The Committee also held a Briefing by Global Partnership for Education and a Briefing on Darna Centers.

From January 1 to March 31, 2017, the Subcommittee on International Human Rights held meetings on its studies of the *Human Rights Situation in Burundi* and the *Yezidis, Christians and Other Religious and Ethnic Minorities in Syria and Iraq* and began hearing witnesses for a study of the *Human Rights Situation in South Sudan*. On February 23, the Subcommittee received a briefing from Global Affairs Canada officials concerning the Committee's study of *Canada's Global Engagement* on Human Rights Issues, Particularly by Exchanging with the Human Rights Committees in the U.S. Congress, and between March 8 and March 10 traveled to Washington, D.C., in relation to this study. On March 21, it held a *Briefing from Common Frontiers on the Human Rights Situation in Central America*. In addition, the Subcommittee produced a report on its study of the *Human Rights Situation in Burundi*, which was presented to the House on February 15.

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

#### FAAE COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP (as of March 31, 2017)

Hon. Robert D. Nault (Chair), Dean Allison (Vice-Chair), Hélène Laverdière (Vice-Chair), Peter Fragiskatos, Hon. Peter Kent, Tom Kmiec, Michael Levitt, Hon. John McKay, Raj Saini, Jati Sidhu

#### SDIR SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP (as of March 31, 2017)

Michael Levitt (Chair), David Sweet (Vice-Chair), Cheryl Hardcastle (Vice-Chair), David Anderson, Peter Fragiskatos, Iqra Khalid, Marwan Tabbara

#### EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

STUDY NAME <sup>1</sup>	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCES	OTHER <sup>2</sup>	TOTAL <sup>3</sup>
FAAE – Operational Budget <sup>4</sup>	214	-	4,120	4,334
FAAE – Women, Peace and Security	3,434	1,513	1,355	6,302
FAAE – Current Human Rights Situation of the Rohingya in Myanmar	-	521	711	1,232
FAAE – Canadian Government's Countries of Focus for Bilateral Development Assistance	3,624	389	1,220	5,233
FAAE – Statutory Review of the Freezing Assets of Corrupt Foreign Officials Act and the Special Economic Measures Act	940	9,894	1,570	12,403
FAAE – Case Study – Guatemala and Colombia	-	-	2,500	2,500
FAAE – Situation in Eastern Europe and Central Asia 25 Years after the End of the Cold War	83	1,416	395	1,893
SDIR – General Operational Budget <sup>4</sup>	520	-	5,225	5,744
SDIR – Briefing on the Human Rights Situation in Honduras	-	672	1,005	1,677
SDIR – Briefing on the Human Rights Situation in Iran	-	2,131	423	2,554
SDIR – Human Rights Situation in Burundi	279	1,310	748	2,337
SDIR – Situation of Human Rights Defenders	211	250	450	911
SDIR – Yezidis, Christians and Other Religious and Ethnic Minorities in Syria and Iraq	-	576	715	1,290
SDIR – Human Rights Situation in South Sudan	967	757	610	2,333
TOTAL <sup>3</sup>	10,273	19,428	21,045	50,745

<sup>1</sup> Studies for which expenses were made are listed in chronological order.

<sup>2</sup> "Other" (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

<sup>3</sup> Differences in totals are due to rounding.

# TRAVEL EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

STUDY NAME <sup>1</sup>	TRANSPORTATION	ACCOMMODATION	PER DIEMS	OTHER <sup>2</sup>	TOTAL <sup>3</sup>
FAAE – Studies on Women, Peace and Security, and on the Canadian Government's Countries of Focus for Bilateral Development Assistance – Guatemala City and Cobán (Guatemala), Bogotá and Villavicencio (Colombia)	32,125	11,661	5,685	28,831	78,302
FAAE – The Situation in Eastern Europe and Central Asia 25 Years after the End of the Cold War – Kiev (Ukraine), Astana (Kazakhstan), Riga (Latvia) and Warsaw (Poland)	73,603	17,918	6,710	8,686	106,918
SDIR – Canada's Global Engagement on Human Rights Issues, Particularly by Exchanging with the Human Rights Committees in the U.S. Congress – Washington (D.C.) (United States of America)	12,298	9,575	3,016	3,761	28,650
TOTAL <sup>1</sup>	118,026	39,154	15,411	41,278	213,870

<sup>1</sup> Studies for which expenses were made are listed in chronological order.

<sup>2</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.

<sup>3</sup> Differences in totals are due to rounding.

# MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND	N	IUMBER O	FMEETING	iS	TOTAL MEETING	NUMBER OF	NUMBER OF
SUBCOMMITTEE	TOTAL	τν¹	VC <sup>2</sup>	VR <sup>3</sup>	HOURS	WITNESSES	REPORTS
Standing Committee (FAAE)	48	11	18	1	86h32m	144	6
Subcommittee on International Human Rights (SDIR) <sup>4</sup>	52	5	11	-	45h38m	72	-
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SFAA) <sup>4</sup>	9	-	-	-	4h25m	-	-
TOTAL	109	16	29	1	136h35m	216	6

<sup>1</sup>Number of televised meetings.

<sup>2</sup> Number of meetings using videoconferencing.

<sup>3</sup> Number of meetings video recorded by members of the Canadian Parliamentary Press Gallery.

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

During the period from April 1 to August 31, 2016, the Committee completed consideration of the *Main Estimates 2016-17* and presented its Second Report to the House on May 18. The Committee also studied the *Reports on Plans and Priorities 2016-17*. The Committee completed consideration of the *Supplementary Estimates (A), 2016-17* and presented its Third Report to the House on June 8. The Committee continued its study of the *Estimates Process*, and commenced studies of *Shared Services Canada*, of the *Mandate and Operations of Selected Crown Corporations*, and of the *Defence Procurement Strategy*. Also, on July 28, the Committee met at the request of four Members to discuss the situation surrounding the Phoenix payroll system. The Committee then began a study of the *Phoenix Payroll System*.

From September 1 to December 31, 2016, the Committee began and completed its study of *Canada Post*, during which it heard from 196 witnesses and held 33 meetings, including 22 public consultations across the country. As part of these consultations, the Committee traveled to the following cities, in order: Montréal, Blainville, Toronto, Kitchener, Windsor, Dryden, Corner Brook, St. John's, Halifax, Sydney, Charlottetown, Bathurst, Québec, Lévis, Surrey, Edmonton, Calgary, Yellowknife, Moose Jaw, Regina, Winnipeg and Scanterbury. On December 13, in relation to the study, the Committee presented its Fourth Report entitled "The Way Forward for Canada Post". It also considered the *Supplementary Estimates (B), 2016-17* and continued its studies of the *Estimates Process*, of *Shared Services Canada*, and of the *Phoenix Payroll System*.

From January 1 to March 31, 2017, the Committee began a *Review of the Public Servants Disclosure Protection Act*. On February 23, the Committee held a *Briefing on the Use of National Security Exceptions*. The Committee also studied the *Supplementary Estimates (C), 2016-17* and presented its Fifth Report on this topic on March 10. Finally, the Committee considered the *Departmental Performance Reports 2015-16*.

#### MEMBERSHIP (as of March 31, 2017)

Tom Lukiwski (Chair), Yasmin Ratansi (Vice-Chair), Erin Weir (Vice-Chair), Ramez Ayoub, Alupa A. Clarke, Francis Drouin, Kelly McCauley, Kyle Peterson, Brenda Shanahan, Nick Whalen

#### EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

STUDY NAME <sup>1</sup>	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCES	OTHER <sup>2</sup>	TOTAL <sup>3</sup>
Operational Budget <sup>4</sup>	1,404	-	4,121	5,524
Estimates Process	-	275	302	577
Canada Post	8,043	425	580	9,047
Review of the Public Servants Disclosure Protection Act	1,331	1,131	1,266	3,728
TOTAL <sup>3</sup>	10,777	1,831	6,269	18,876

<sup>1</sup> Studies for which expenses were made are listed in chronological order.

<sup>2</sup> "Other" (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

<sup>3</sup> Differences in totals are due to rounding.

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

# TRAVEL EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

STUDY NAME <sup>1</sup>	TRANSPORTATION	ACCOMMODATION	PER DIEMS	OTHER <sup>2</sup>	TOTAL <sup>3</sup>
Canada Post – Blainville and Montréal (Quebec), Toronto, Kitchener, Windsor, Dryden and Sandy Lake (Ontario)	29,371	11,555	5,506	48,043	94,475
Canada Post – Corner Brook and St. John's, (Newfoundland and Labrador), Halifax and Sydney (Nova Scotia), Charlottetown (Prince Edward Island), Bathurst (New Brunswick), Lévis and Québec (Quebec)	33,544	10,281	5,846	52,600	102,271
Canada Post – Surrey (British Columbia), Edmonton and Calgary (Alberta), Yellowknife (Northwest Territories), Moose Jaw and Regina (Saskatchewan), Winnipeg and Scanterbury (Manitoba)	41,164	10,533	7,356	65,716	124,770
TOTAL <sup>3</sup>	104,079	32,370	18,708	166,359	321,516

 <sup>1</sup> Studies for which expenses were made are listed in chronological order.
<sup>2</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. <sup>3</sup> Differences in totals are due to rounding.

# MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND	N	NUMBER OF MEETINGS				NUMBER OF	NUMBER OF
SUBCOMMITTEE	TOTAL	τν <sup>1</sup>	VC <sup>2</sup>	VR <sup>3</sup>	MEETING HOURS	WITNESSES	REPORTS
Standing Committee (OGGO)	73	15	5	1	147h06m	458	4
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SOGG) <sup>4</sup>	6	-	-	-	3h51m	-	-
TOTAL	79	15	5	1	150h57m	458	4

<sup>1</sup> Number of televised meetings.

<sup>2</sup> Number of meetings using videoconferencing.

<sup>3</sup> Number of meetings video recorded by members of the Canadian Parliamentary Press Gallery.

#### STANDING COMMITTEE ON HEALTH (HESA)

From April 1 to August 31, 2016, the Committee began a study entitled *Development of a National Pharmacare Program*. During this period, the Committee heard from 45 witnesses and held nine meetings on this study. The Committee also began consideration of Bill C-224, *An Act to amend the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act*. Furthermore, the Committee studied the *Main Estimates 2016-17*, as well as the *Supplementary Estimates (A), 2016-2017*. Finally, the Committee adopted and presented two reports from the previous Parliament: the First Report entitled "Vaping: Towards a Regulatory Framework for E-Cigarettes" and the Second Report entitled "Radiofrequency Electromagnetic Radiation and the Health of Canadians".

From September 1 to December 31, 2016, the Committee continued its study of *the Development of a National Pharmacare Program.* It held seven meetings and heard from 34 witnesses. The Committee undertook a study of *Current Blood Donation Restrictions on Men Who Have Sex with Men.* It also undertook a study of the *Opioid Crisis in Canada*, during which it heard from 26 witnesses. The Committee presented its Fourth and Sixth reports on this subject on November 18 and December 12, respectively. In addition, the Committee held a *Briefing on the Opioid Summit.* It considered Bill C-224, *An Act to amend the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act (assistance — drug overdose),* and reported it to the House without amendment on September 28. The Committee also considered Bill C-233, *An Act respecting a national strategy for Alzheimer's disease and other dementias,* and reported it to the House with amendments on December 1.

From January 1 to March 31, 2017, the Committee continued its study of the *Development of a National Pharmacare Program.* It held three meetings and heard from eight witnesses. The Committee also continued its study of *Current Blood Donation Restrictions on Men Who Have Sex with Men* The Committee considered Bill C-37, *An Act to amend the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act and to make related amendments to other Acts,* and reported it to the House with amendments on February 10. In addition, the Committee considered Bill C-277, *An Act providing for the development of a framework on palliative care in Canada,* and reported it to the House with amendments on March 23. Finally, the Committee began a study of the *Public Health Effects of Online Violent and Degrading Sexually Explicit Material on Children, Women and Men (M-47)* related to an order of reference from the House of Commons.

#### MEMBERSHIP (as of March 31, 2017)

Bill Casey (Chair), Len Webber (Vice-Chair), Don Davies (Vice-Chair), Ramez Ayoub, Colin Carrie, Doug Eyolfson, Rachael Harder, Darshan Singh Kang, John Oliver, Sonia Sidhu

# STANDING COMMITTEE ON HEALTH (HESA) (CONT'D)

# EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCES	OTHER <sup>2</sup>	TOTAL <sup>3</sup>
Operational Budget <sup>4</sup>	-	-	2,848	2,848
Development of a National Pharmacare Program	22,605	2,270	675	25,550
Bill C-224	4,637	500	-	5,137
Opioid Crisis in Canada	8,933	307	-	9,239
Bill C-233	2,745	700	-	3,445
Bill C-277	1,049	-	1,013	2,062
TOTAL <sup>3</sup>	39,970	3,777	4,535	48,281

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<sup>4</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, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND	N	NUMBER OF MEETINGS				NUMBER OF	NUMBER OF
SUBCOMMITTEE	TOTAL	τν¹	VC <sup>2</sup>	VR <sup>3</sup>	MEETING HOURS	WITNESSES	REPORTS
Standing Committee (HESA)	43	10	8	1	82h37m	177	6
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SHES) <sup>4</sup>	1	-	-	-	1h48m	-	-
TOTAL	44	10	8	1	84h25m	177	6

<sup>1</sup>Number of televised meetings.

<sup>2</sup> Number of meetings using videoconferencing.

<sup>3</sup> Number of meetings video recorded by members of the Canadian Parliamentary Press Gallery.

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

Between April 1 and August 31, 2016, the Committee first considered the *Main Estimates 2016-17*, presenting its report on the subject to the House on April 21. The Committee also completed its study of Bill C-4, An Act to amend the Canada Labour Code, the Parliamentary Employment and Staff Relations Act, the Public Service Labour Relations Act and the Income Tax Act, and reported it back to the House without amendment on May 12. The Committee continued its study of the Impact of Recent Changes to Employment Insurance and of Access to the Program, reporting to the House on June 15. Finally, the Committee undertook a study of the Temporary Foreign Worker Program. In total, it devoted seven meetings to this study and heard from 50 witnesses.

Between September 1 and December 31, 2016, the Committee presented its Fourth Report to the House on the *Temporary Foreign Worker Program*. It then undertook a study on *Poverty Reduction Strategies* and held 14 meetings and heard from 83 witnesses. The Committee also selected the recipient of the *2016 Centennial Flame Research Award*.

From January 1 to March 31, 2017, the Committee continued its study on *Poverty Reduction Strategies*. In addition to meetings in Ottawa, the Committee travelled to Saint John, Winnipeg, Medicine Hat, Maple Ridge and Toronto to hold public hearings and conduct site visits. After it had held 25 meetings on the topic, heard from 162 witnesses and reviewed over 70 briefs, the Committee began writing its draft report. On March 21, Brigitte Sansoucy was elected vice-chair of the Committee, replacing Niki Ashton. Lastly, the Committee began consideration of Bill C-243, An Act respecting the development of a national maternity assistance program strategy and amending the Employment Insurance Act (maternity benefits).

#### MEMBERSHIP (as of March 31, 2017)

Bryan May (Chair), Bob Zimmer (Vice-Chair), Brigitte Sansoucy (Vice-Chair), Anju Dhillon, Wayne Long, Hon. Pierre Poilievre, Yves Robillard, Dan Ruimy, Ramesh Sangha, Mark Warawa

	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCES	OTHER <sup>2</sup>	TOTAL <sup>3</sup>
Operational Budget <sup>4</sup>	-	-	2,075	2,075
Bill C-4	9,557	814	393	10,765
Impact of Recent Changes to Employment Insurance and of Access to the Program	1,924	500	262	2,686
Temporary Foreign Worker Program	19,443	6,647	1,077	27,167
Poverty Reduction Strategies	24,678	12,007	2,586	39,271
TOTAL <sup>3</sup>	55,601	19,969	6,394	81,964

#### EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

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<sup>2</sup> "Other" (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

<sup>3</sup> Differences in totals are due to rounding.

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

#### TRAVEL EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

STUDY NAME <sup>1</sup>	TRANSPORTATION	ACCOMMODATION	PER DIEMS	OTHER <sup>2</sup>	TOTAL <sup>3</sup>
Poverty Reduction Strategy – Winnipeg (Manitoba), Medicine Hat (Alberta) and Vancouver (British Columbia)	31,392	5,714	3,725	18,420	59,250
Poverty Reduction Strategy –Saint John (New Brunswick) and Toronto (Ontario)	36,261	11,444	5,179	13,902	66,787
TOTAL <sup>3</sup>	67,653	17,158	8,904	32,323	126,038

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processing, conference fees and other minor miscellaneous expenses.

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#### MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND	N	NUMBER OF MEETINGS				NUMBER OF	NUMBER OF
SUBCOMMITTEE	TOTAL	τν¹	VC <sup>2</sup>	VR <sup>3</sup>	MEETING HOURS	WITNESSES	REPORTS
Standing Committee (HUMA)	46	5	14	-	90h38m	264	5
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SHUM) <sup>4</sup>	1	-	-	-	0h50m	-	-
TOTAL	47	5	14	-	91h28m	264	5

<sup>1</sup>Number of televised meetings.

<sup>2</sup> Number of meetings using videoconferencing.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Number of meetings video recorded by members of the Canadian Parliamentary Press Gallery.

#### STANDING COMMITTEE ON INDIGENOUS AND NORTHERN AFFAIRS (INAN)

From April 1 to August 31, 2016, the Committee studied the *Declaration of Health Emergency by First Nations Communities in Northern Ontario* and presented its Third Report to the House on May 19. The Committee also commenced its study of *Suicide Among Indigenous Peoples and Communities,* hearing testimony from 12 witnesses over five meetings. The Committee considered the *Main Estimates 2016-17* and presented its Second Report to the House on May 12. It also studied the *Subject Matter of Supplementary Estimates (A), 2016-17* and the *Plans and Priorities 2016-17 of Indigenous and Northern Affairs.* The Committee held the following briefing sessions: *Briefing on the Mandate Letter of the Minister of Natural Resources; Briefing on the Mandate Letter of the Minister of Environment and Climate Change; Briefing with the Native Women's Association of Canada; Briefing with the Office of the Auditor General of Canada; Briefing with the Office of the Correctional Investigator; Briefing with Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada; Briefing with the Specific Claims Tribunal Canada; and Briefing with the First Nations and Inuit Health Branch.* Finally, on April 21, the House concurred in the Eighth Report of the Standing Committee on Procedure and House Affairs, which amended Standing Order 104(2) and changed the name of the Committee to the Standing Committee on Indigenous and Northern Affairs.

From September 1 to December 31, 2016, the Committee continued its study of *Suicide Among Indigenous Peoples and Communities*, hearing evidence from 65 witnesses over ten meetings. During the course of this study, the Committee held public hearings in Iqaluit and Vancouver, and conducted site visits in Kuujjuaq and Sioux Lookout. The Committee also launched an e-consultation in view of this study that targeted health professionals and community members working with First Nations, Inuit, or Métis communities entitled "Availability and Quality of Mental Health Services in Indigenous Communities". The Committee held a briefing session with the Minister of Health on her ministerial mandate letter and considered the *Supplementary Estimates (B), 2016-17*. Finally, the Committee studied the *Subject Matter of Bill S-3, An Act to amend the Indian Act (elimination of sex-based inequities in registration)*, hearing from over 30 witnesses over the course of four meetings.

From January 1 to March 31, 2017, the Committee continued its study of *Suicide Among Indigenous Peoples and Communities*, hearing from 17 witnesses over four meetings. On January 27, Andy Fillmore resigned as Chair of the Committee and the Hon. MaryAnn Mihychuk was elected the new Chair on February 2. The Committee considered the *Supplementary Estimates (C), 2016-17* and presented its Fourth report to the House on February 24. The Committee also commenced its study of *Default Prevention and Management Policy*, hearing from 13 witnesses over three meetings.

#### MEMBERSHIP (as of March 31, 2017)

Hon. MaryAnn Mihychuk (Chair), David Yurdiga (Vice-Chair), Romeo Saganash (Vice-Chair), Gary Anandasangaree, Mike Bossio, Rémi Massé, Cathy McLeod, Michael V. McLeod, Don Rusnak, Arnold Viersen

# STANDING COMMITTEE ON INDIGENOUS AND NORTHERN AFFAIRS (INAN) (CONT'D)

#### EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

STUDY NAME <sup>1</sup>	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCES	OTHER <sup>2</sup>	TOTAL <sup>3</sup>
Operational Budget <sup>4</sup>	-	-	1,240	1,240
Declaration of Health Emergency by First Nations Communities in Northern Ontario	2,469	-	129	2,598
Briefing with the National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation	949	-	43	992
Suicide Among Indigenous Peoples and Communities	25,951	1,943	1,673	29,567
Subject Matter of Bill S-3	7,621	576	332	8,529
Default Prevention and Management Policy	-	250	135	385
TOTAL <sup>3</sup>	36,991	2,769	3,552	43,312

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# TRAVEL EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

STUDY NAME	TRANSPORTATION	ACCOMMODATION	PER DIEMS	OTHER <sup>2</sup>	TOTAL <sup>1</sup>
Suicide Among Indigenous Peoples and Communities – Iqaluit (Nunavut), Kuujjuaq, (Quebec), Vancouver (British Columbia), Thompson (Manitoba), Sioux Lookout (Ontario)	93,691	11,308	6,012	36,747	147,759
TOTAL <sup>1</sup>	93,691	11,308	6,012	36,747	147,759

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# MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND	N	IUMBER O	F MEETING	iS	TOTAL MEETING	NUMBER OF	NUMBER OF
SUBCOMMITTEE	TOTAL	τν¹	VC <sup>2</sup>	VR <sup>3</sup>	HOURS	WITNESSES	REPORTS
Standing Committee (INAN)	44	28	7	-	85h17m	203	3
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SINA) <sup>4</sup>	2	-	-	-	1h24m	-	-
TOTAL	46	28	7	-	86h41m	203	3

<sup>1</sup> Number of televised meetings.
<sup>2</sup> Number of meetings using videoconferencing.
<sup>3</sup> Number of meetings video recorded by members of the Canadian Parliamentary Press Gallery.

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

From April 1 to August 31, 2016, the Committee completed its study entitled *Overview of the Organizations under Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada*, which began during the previous period. In total, the Committee held eight meetings and heard 38 witnesses on the subject. The Committee launched a study of the *Manufacturing Sector*, in accordance with the motion adopted on March 10, 2016. It met eight times on this topic, heard from 27 witnesses and travelled to the Montréal area, where it conducted site visits at Bombardier, District 3 (Concordia University), CAE and MDA Corporation. The Committee issued a news release inviting Canadians to submit briefs on this issue. Finally, the Committee considered the *Supplementary Estimates (A), 2016-17*, and presented its report on June 9.

From September 1 to December 31, 2016, the Committee continued its study of the *Manufacturing Sector* and began consideration of a draft report. The Committee also completed its study of the *Review of the Government of Canada Report Entitled "Fresh Start: A Review of Canada's Insolvency Laws"* and presented its Second Report on December 12. On November 2, the Committee considered the *Order in Council Appointment of Anil Arora to the Position of Chief Statistician of Canada*. On November 23, the Committee held a meeting with the Premier of the Northwest Territories, the Honorable Robert R. McLeod, to discuss infrastructure initiatives in the North. Finally, it considered the *Supplementary Estimates (B), 2016-17*.

From January 1 to March 31, 2017, the Committee continued its consideration of the draft report on its study of the *Manufacturing Sector*. The Committee also considered Bill C-25, *An Act to amend the Canada Business Corporations Act, the Canada Cooperatives Act, the Canada Not-for-profit Corporations Act, and the Competition Act*. It held nine meetings, during which the Committee heard from 17 witnesses including the Minister of Innovation, Science and Economic Development and officials from Industry Canada, and reported the Bill back to the House with amendments on March 22. Furthermore, the Committee commenced consideration of Bill C-36, *An Act to amend the Statistics Act*, hearing two witnesses over three meetings.

#### MEMBERSHIP (as of March 31, 2017)

Dan Ruimy (Chair), Earl Dreeshen (Vice-Chair), Brian Masse (Vice-Chair), Chandra Arya, Frank Baylis, Majid Jowhari, Ben Lobb, Lloyd Longfield, Alexander Nuttall, Terry Sheehan

STUDY NAME <sup>1</sup>	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCES	OTHER <sup>2</sup>	TOTAL <sup>3</sup>
Operational Budget <sup>4</sup>	-	-	730	730
Manufacturing Sector	9,111	1,819	2,154	13,085
Bill C-25	1,862	-	487	2,349
Bill C-36	-	-	61	61
TOTAL <sup>3</sup>	10,973	1,819	3,432	16,225

#### EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

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# TRAVEL EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

STUDY NAME	TRANSPORTATION	ACCOMMODATION	PER DIEMS	OTHER <sup>2</sup>	TOTAL <sup>1</sup>
Manufacturing Sector – Montréal and Mirabel (Quebec)	1,934	1,399	1,192	975	5,500
TOTAL <sup>1</sup>	1,934	1,399	1,192	975	5,500

<sup>1</sup> Differences in totals are due to rounding.

<sup>2</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, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEE	NUMBER OF MEETINGS				TOTAL MEETING	NUMBER OF	NUMBER OF
	TOTAL	τν¹	VC <sup>2</sup>	VR <sup>3</sup>	HOURS	WITNESSES	REPORTS
Standing Committee (INDU)	47	3	4	1	88h40m	144	3
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SIND) <sup>4</sup>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	47	3	4	1	88h40m	144	3

<sup>1</sup>Number of televised meetings.

<sup>2</sup> Number of meetings using videoconferencing.

<sup>3</sup> Number of meetings video recorded by members of the Canadian Parliamentary Press Gallery.

### STANDING COMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL TRADE (CIIT)

From April 1 to August 31, 2016, the Committee continued its *Trans-Pacific Partnership Agreement (TPP) Public Consultation*. The Committee devoted 15 meetings to this study during this period. In addition to holding meetings in Ottawa, the Committee travelled to eight Canadian cities (Vancouver, Calgary, Saskatoon, Winnipeg, Montréal, Québec, Windsor and Toronto) to hear from witnesses. As a result, in three months the Committee heard 244 witnesses as part of its consultation. This total includes a number of people who shared their views on the TPP during a period set aside for audience remarks in Montréal, Québec, Windsor and Toronto. The Committee also completed its study of the *Softwood Lumber Agreement between Canada and the United States* and presented its Second Report to the House on June 15. For this study, the Committee held four meetings and heard 11 witnesses. In April, the Committee held a meeting to discuss *Report 2—Controlling Exports at the Border*, of the *Fall 2015 Report of the Auditor General of Canada*. In addition, the Committee launched a study of the *Canada Border Services Agency's Duties Deferral Program as well as Other Issues such as Diafiltered Milk and Spent Fowl* and held a briefing on the ongoing softwood lumber negotiations between Canada and the United States.

From September 1 to December 31, 2016, the Committee continued its *Trans-Pacific Partnership Agreement (TPP) Public Consultation*. In addition to holding meetings in Ottawa, the Committee traveled to four Canadian cities to hear from witnesses: Saint John, Charlottetown, St. John's and Halifax. As a result, in a two-month period, the Committee heard from 138 additional witnesses as part of its consultation. This total includes a number of people who shared their views on the TPP during the meetings in the Atlantic Provinces and during a period set aside for audience remarks. In September, the Committee completed its study of the *Canada Border Services Agency's Duties Deferral Program as well as Other Issues such as Diafiltered Milk and Spent Fowl*. The Committee also considered Bill C-13, *An Act to amend the Food and Drugs Act, the Hazardous Products Act, the Radiation Emitting Devices Act, the Canadia Environmental Protection Act, 1999, the Pest Control Products Act and the Canada Consumer Product Safety Act and to make related amendments to another Act. It reported the Bill with amendments to the House on October 7. The Committee heard from 27 witnesses, including the Minister of International Trade, and held six meetings as part of its consideration of the <i>Subject Matter of Bill C-30, An Act to implement the Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement between Canada and the European Union and its Member States and to provide for certain other measures*. Lastly, the Committee began its study of *The Canadian Steel Industry's Ability to Compete Internationally* and the *Subject Matter of Bill C-31, An Act to implement the Free Trade Agreement between Canada and Ukraine*.

From January 1 to March 31, 2017, the Committee continued its *Trans-Pacific Partnership Agreement (TPP) Public Consultation*. During this period, the Committee devoted several meetings to this study to hear an additional 10 witnesses and to consider its draft report. As well, the Committee heard from six witnesses as part of its *Briefing Session on the CanExport Program and Other Measures Being Pursued to Educate and Support Small and Medium Canadian Businesses Seeking to Take Advantage of Trade Agreements*. Lastly, the Committee resumed its study of *The Canadian Steel Industry's Ability to Compete Internationally*, hearing from 18 witnesses and devoting three meetings. On the legislative front, the Committee reported Bill C-30, *An Act to implement the Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement between Canada and the European Union and its Member States and to provide for certain other measures*, back to the House on January 30 with amendments. The Committee then proceeded to clause-by-clause consideration of Bill C-31, *An Act to implement the Free Trade Agreement between Canada and Ukraine*, and reported the Bill back to the House on February 1 without amendment.

### MEMBERSHIP (as of March 31, 2017)

Hon. Mark Eyking (Chair), Randy Hoback (Vice-Chair), Tracey Ramsey (Vice-Chair), Sukh Dhaliwal, Peter Fonseca, Linda Lapointe, Karen Ludwig, Kyle Peterson, Hon. Gerry Ritz, Dave Van Kesteren

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

# EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

STUDY NAME <sup>1</sup>	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCES	OTHER <sup>2</sup>	TOTAL <sup>3</sup>
Operational Budget <sup>4</sup>	-	-	3,780	3,780
Pre-Study of the Trans-Pacific Partnership Agreement (TPP)	18,135	10,940	982	30,057
Softwood Lumber Agreement between Canada and the United States	1,178	491	129	1,798
Subject Matter of Bill C-30	-	4,576	816	5,392
The Canadian Steel Industry's Ability to Compete Internationally	1,609	-	380	1,989
TOTAL <sup>3</sup>	20,922	16,006	6,087	43,016

<sup>1</sup> Studies for which expenses were made are listed in chronological order.

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# TRAVEL EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

STUDY NAME <sup>1</sup>	TRANSPORTATION	ACCOMMODATION	PER DIEMS	OTHER <sup>2</sup>	TOTAL <sup>3</sup>
Pre-Study of the Trans-Pacific Partnership Agreement (TPP) – Vancouver (British Columbia), Calgary (Alberta), Saskatoon (Saskatchewan), Winnipeg (Manitoba)	36,443	13,063	6,773	26,152	82,431
Trans-Pacific Partnership Agreement (TPP) Public Consultation – Montréal and Québec (Quebec), Toronto and Windsor (Ontario)	26,211	12,734	5,462	23,451	67,858
Trans-Pacific Partnership Agreement (TPP) Public Consultation – Saint John (New Brunswick), Charlottetown (Prince Edward Island), St. John´s (Newfoundland and Labrador), Halifax (Nova Scotia)	36,305	12,747	5,500	30,664	85,215
TOTAL <sup>3</sup>	98,959	38,544	17,734	80,266	235,504

 <sup>1</sup> Studies for which expenses were made are listed in chronological order.
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# MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND	N	NUMBER OF MEETINGS			TOTAL MEETING	NUMBER OF	NUMBER OF
SUBCOMMITTEE	TOTAL	τν¹	VC <sup>2</sup>	VR <sup>3</sup>	HOURS	WITNESSES	REPORTS
Standing Committee (CIIT)	56	3	14	-	127h20m	518	5
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SCII) <sup>4</sup>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	56	3	14	-	127h20m	518	5

<sup>1</sup> Number of televised meetings.
<sup>2</sup> Number of meetings using videoconferencing.
<sup>3</sup> Number of meetings video recorded by members of the Canadian Parliamentary Press Gallery.

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

During the period of April 1 until August 31, 2016, the Committee continued its study of Access to the Justice System. The Committee also studied Bill C-14, An Act to amend the Criminal Code and to make related amendments to other Acts (medical assistance in dying), and reported the Bill back to the House with amendments on May 12. The Committee also considered the Main Estimates 2016-17 and reported the same to the House on May 18. During the summer recess, the Committee held one meeting on August 11 for an appearance by the Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada with regard to the New Process for the Nomination of Supreme Court Justices.

From September 1 to December 31, 2016, the Committee continued its study of Access to the Justice System. On September 19, the Committee presented an interim report on the first aspect of that study, the Court Challenges Program. The Committee then began the second aspect of that study, Legal Aid. The Committee considered several bills: Bill C-242, An Act to amend the Criminal Code (inflicting torture), reported on October 17 with a recommendation that it not proceed further; Bill C-247, An Act to amend the Criminal Code (passive detection device); Bill C-16, An Act to amend the Canadian Human Rights Act and the Criminal Code, reported without amendment on November 4; and Bill S-201, An Act to prohibit and prevent genetic discrimination, reported with an amendment on December 5. The Committee held a meeting on October 24 for an appearance by the Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada, with regard to the nomination of Mr. Justice Malcolm Rowe as Supreme Court Justice.

During the period of January 1 to March 31, 2017, the Chair and Vice-Chairs of the Committee travelled to London, United Kingdom, to attend the Conference on Rule of Law and Human Rights. The Committee continued with the next part of its study of *Access to the Justice System* which focussed on Legal Aid. The Committee considered Bill C-247, *An Act to amend the Criminal Code (passive detection device)* and reported it back to the House on February 16, recommending that the Bill not proceed further. With regard to its study of the *New Process for the Nomination of Supreme Court Justices*, the Committee presented its Ninth Report to the House on February 22. The Committee then considered Bill C-305, *An Act to amend the Criminal Code (mischief)* and reported it to the House with amendments on March 20. The Committee also began consideration of Bill S-217, *An Act to amend the Criminal Code (detention in custody)*.

### MEMBERSHIP (as of March 31, 2017)

Anthony Housefather (Chair), Ted Falk (Vice-Chair), Alistair MacGregor (Vice-Chair), Chris Bittle, Randy Boissonnault, Michael Cooper, Colin Fraser, Iqra Khalid, Ron McKinnon, Hon. Rob Nicholson

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

## EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

STUDY NAME <sup>1</sup>	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCES	OTHER <sup>2</sup>	TOTAL <sup>3</sup>
Operational Budget <sup>4</sup>	-	-	5,013	5,013
Access to the Justice System	30,542	-	1,507	32,049
Subject Matter of Bill C-14	27,631	4,401	2,446	34,478
Bill C-242	1,290	-	208	1,498
Bill C-247	2,203	450	740	3,393
Bill S-201	3,676	-	1,188	4,864
Bill C-305	3,392	-	344	3,735
TOTAL <sup>3</sup>	68,735	4,851	11,445	85,031

<sup>1</sup> Studies for which expenses were made are listed in chronological order.

<sup>2</sup> "Other" (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

<sup>3</sup> Differences in totals are due to rounding.

<sup>4</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.

# TRAVEL EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

STUDY NAME <sup>1</sup>	TRANSPORTATION	ACCOMMODATION	PER DIEMS	OTHER <sup>2</sup>	TOTAL <sup>3</sup>
Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference on the Rule of Law and Human Rights - London (United Kingdom)	10,611	2,310	2,080	-	15,002
TOTAL <sup>3</sup>	10,611	2,310	2,080	-	15,002

<sup>1</sup> Studies for which expenses were made are listed in chronological order.

<sup>2</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. <sup>3</sup> Differences in totals are due to rounding.

# MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND	N	NUMBER OF MEETINGS			TOTAL MEETING	NUMBER OF	NUMBER OF
SUBCOMMITTEE	TOTAL	τν <sup>1</sup>	VC <sup>2</sup>	VR <sup>3</sup>	HOURS	WITNESSES	REPORTS
Standing Committee (JUST)	45	16	3	-	84h01m	224	9
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SJUS) <sup>4</sup>	2	-	-	-	1h10m	-	-
TOTAL	47	16	3	-	85h11m	224	9

<sup>1</sup> Number of televised meetings. <sup>2</sup> Number of meetings using videoconferencing.

<sup>3</sup> Number of meetings video recorded by members of the Canadian Parliamentary Press Gallery.

# STANDING COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL DEFENCE (NDDN)

From April 1 to August 31, 2016, the Committee continued the study of *Canada and the Defence of North America*. During the course of the study, in May, the Committee traveled to Colorado Springs, Colorado, to visit the North American Aerospace Defense Command (NORAD) headquarters and meet with Canadian and American NORAD officials. On May 19, the Committee held a *Briefing by Reserves 2000 on the Reserve Force of the Canadian Army* and also a *Briefing on the Ongoing Activities of the Communication Security Establishment*.

From September 1 to December 31, 2016, the Committee continued its study of *Canada and the Defence of North America*. During this period, it also held a *Briefing on Sexual Misconduct in the Canadian Armed Forces* and a *Briefing by the National Defence and Canadian Armed Forces Ombudsman*. As well, the Committee received a *Briefing by the Chief of the Defence Staff on Current Operations*. The Committee also considered the *Subject Matter of the Supplementary Estimates (B), 2016-17* and began a study of *Force Protection*.

From January 1 to March 31, 2017, the Committee continued its hearings on naval readiness as part of its study of *Canada* and the Defence of North America, and heard from 15 witnesses. In addition, one meeting was held on its study of *Suicide* Mortality in the Canadian Armed Forces, hearing from two witnesses. The Committee considered the Supplementary Estimates (C), 2016-17 and presented its Third Report to the House on March 10. The Committee also received a Briefing by the Commissioner of the Communications Security Establishment. As well, the Committee traveled to Washington, D.C., from March 5 to 8 in order to discuss defence matters between Canada and the United States.

#### MEMBERSHIP (as of March 31, 2017)

Stephen Fuhr (Chair), Cheryl Gallant (Vice-Chair), Randall Garrison (Vice-Chair), Leona Alleslev, James Bezan, Darren Fisher, Mark Gerretsen, Pierre Paul-Hus, Yves Robillard, Sven Spengemann

STUDY NAME <sup>1</sup>	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCES	OTHER <sup>2</sup>	TOTAL <sup>3</sup>
Operational Budget <sup>4</sup>	-	-	5,000	5,000
Canada and the Defence of North America	8,030	3,690	2,039	13,759
Briefing of Reserves 2000 on the Reserve Force of the Canadian Army	916	-	67	984
TOTAL <sup>3</sup>	8,946	3,690	7,106	19,742

#### EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

<sup>1</sup> Studies for which expenses were made are listed in chronological order.

<sup>2</sup> "Other" (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

<sup>3</sup> Differences in totals are due to rounding.

<sup>4</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 NATIONAL DEFENCE (NDDN) (CONT'D)

# TRAVEL EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

STUDY NAME <sup>1</sup>	TRANSPORTATION	ACCOMMODATION	PER DIEMS	OTHER <sup>2</sup>	TOTAL <sup>3</sup>
Canada and the Defence of North America – Winnipeg (Manitoba), Colorado Springs (United States of America)	25,977	7,759	5,399	1,216	40,351
Canada and the Defence of North America – Washington (D.C.) (United States of America)	16,949	19,497	7,194	7,804	51,444
TOTAL <sup>1</sup>	42,926	27,256	12,592	9,020	91,795

<sup>1</sup> Studies for which expenses were made are listed in chronological order.

<sup>2</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.

<sup>3</sup> Differences in totals are due to rounding.

### MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND	N	NUMBER OF MEETINGS			TOTAL MEETING	NUMBER OF	NUMBER OF
SUBCOMMITTEE	TOTAL	τν¹	VC <sup>2</sup>	VR <sup>3</sup>	HOURS	WITNESSES	REPORTS
Standing Committee (NDDN)	37	3	7	6	66h04m	84	2
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SNDD) <sup>4</sup>	3	-	-	-	2h12m	-	-
TOTAL	40	3	7	6	68h16m	84	2

<sup>1</sup>Number of televised meetings.

<sup>2</sup> Number of meetings using videoconferencing.

<sup>3</sup> Number of meetings video recorded by members of the Canadian Parliamentary Press Gallery.

# **STANDING COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES (RNNR)**

From April 1 to August 31, 2016, the Committee held 14 meetings, mainly for its study of *The Future of Canada's Oil and Gas, Mining and Nuclear Sectors: Innovation, Sustainable Solutions and Economic Opportunities,* which it divided into three parts: (1) *The Future of Canada's Oil and Gas Sector;* (2) *The Future of Canada's Mining Sector;* and (3) *The Future of Canada's Nuclear Sector.* During this period, it held 11 meetings and heard 24 witnesses in relation to this study. On June 16, the Committee adopted a report on the first part of this study (limited to the oil and gas sector) entitled "The Future of Canada's Oil and Gas Sector: Innovation, Sustainable Solutions and Economic Opportunities". One meeting was also devoted to the *Main Estimates 2016-17* to hear from the Minister of Natural Resources and three officials.

From September 1 to December 31, 2016, the Committee held 21 meetings and continued its study of *The Future of Canada's Oil and Gas, Mining and Nuclear Sectors: Innovation, Sustainable Solutions and Economic Opportunities.* The Committee continued studying the second and third parts of the study, hearing from the Department of Natural Resources and representatives from industry groups, First Nations and civil society. The Committee heard from 133 witnesses over the course of this study. During this period, the Committee also studied the *Subject Matter of the Supplementary Estimates (B), 2016-17.* 

From January 1 to March 31, 2017, the Committee held ten meetings. Of these, three were dedicated to consideration of a draft report entitled "The Future of Canada's Mining Sector: Sustainable Growth Beyond the Global Downturn", the second part of its study of *The Future of Canada's Oil and Gas, Mining and Nuclear Sectors: Innovation, Sustainable Solutions and Economic Solutions*. This report was presented to the House on March 7. The Committee undertook a new study on *Clean Technology in Canada's Natural Resources Sectors*, for which it held six meetings and heard from 28 witnesses.

### MEMBERSHIP (as of March 31, 2017)

James Maloney (Chair), John Barlow (Vice-Chair), Richard Cannings (Vice-Chair), T.J. Harvey, Denis Lemieux, Michael V. McLeod, Marc Serré, Mark Strahl, Shannon Stubbs, Geng Tan

STUDY NAME <sup>1</sup>	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCES	OTHER <sup>2</sup>	TOTAL <sup>3</sup>
Operational Budget <sup>4</sup>	-	-	392	392
The Future of Canada's Oil and Gas, Mining and Nuclear Sectors: Innovation, Sustainable Solutions and Economic Opportunities	20,167	5,351	1,446	26,965
Clean Technology in Canada's Natural Resource Sectors	1,432	2,588	258	4,277
TOTAL <sup>3</sup>	21,599	7,939	2,096	31,633

#### EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

<sup>1</sup> Studies for which expenses were made are listed in chronological order.

<sup>2</sup> "Other" (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

<sup>3</sup> Differences in totals are due to rounding.

<sup>4</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, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND	NUMBER OF MEETINGS			TOTAL MEETING	NUMBER OF	NUMBER OF	
SUBCOMMITTEE	TOTAL	τν¹	VC <sup>2</sup>	VR <sup>3</sup>	HOURS	WITNESSES	REPORTS
Standing Committee (RNNR)	45	3	16	-	69h36m	163	3
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SRNN) <sup>4</sup>	2	-	-	-	0h46m	-	-
TOTAL	47	3	16	-	70h22m	163	3

<sup>1</sup> Number of televised meetings.
<sup>2</sup> Number of meetings using videoconferencing.
<sup>3</sup> Number of meetings video recorded by members of the Canadian Parliamentary Press Gallery.

# STANDING COMMITTEE ON OFFICIAL LANGUAGES (LANG)

During the period from April 1 to August 31, 2016, the Committee studied a number of subjects. Its main study concerned the *Translation Bureau*. The Committee held seven meetings and heard 18 witnesses on this topic. It then presented a report to the House on June 16. The Committee subsequently held four briefings with the Commissioner of Official Languages regarding the status of the official languages in minority communities across the country, his recent annual report and his special report on Air Canada, among other matters. The Committee received two briefings on the respective mandates of the Minister of Canadian Heritage and the President of the Treasury Board under the *Official Languages Act*.

From September 1 to December 31, 2016, the Committee conducted a study on the *Roadmap and Immigration in Francophone Minority Communities* and heard from 43 witnesses, representing various organizations, stakeholders and governmental departments. The Committee concluded its study by presenting its Third Report to the House on December 14. During this period, the Committee also devoted one meeting to the *Annual Report on Official Languages 2014-15* during which the Minister of Canadian Heritage appeared along with her officials, and one meeting on the *Translation of Quebec Jurisprudence*. Finally, the Committee held a *Briefing on Accountability Measures for Official Languages* from the Department of Canadian Heritage, the Department of Citizenship and Immigration and the Treasury Board Secretariat

From January 1 to March 31, 2017, the Committee heard from representatives of the Treasury Board Secretariat again as part of its *Briefing on Accountability Measures for Official Languages*. The Committee also conducted a study on *Issues Related to the Enumeration of Rights-Holders Under Section 23 of the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms*, holding a total of five meetings. During this period, the Committee also pursued its study on the *Translation Bureau*, hearing from two organizations and from the Minister of Public Services and Procurement. Additionally, the Committee devoted one meeting to its study of *Language Training for Members of Parliament* and one meeting on *Air Canada's Implementation of the Official Languages Act*. Finally, the Committee began a study on the *Full Implementation of the Official Languages Act in the Canadian Justice System*.

#### MEMBERSHIP (as of March 31, 2017)

Hon. Denis Paradis (Chair), John Nater (Vice-Chair), François Choquette (Vice-Chair), René Arseneault, Sylvie Boucher, Bernard Généreux, Linda Lapointe, Paul Lefebvre, Darrell Samson, Dan Vandal

# STANDING COMMITTEE ON OFFICIAL LANGUAGES (LANG) (CONT'D)

# EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

STUDY NAME <sup>1</sup>	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCES	OTHER <sup>2</sup>	TOTAL <sup>3</sup>
Operational Budget <sup>4</sup>	-	-	3,307	3,307
Review of the Status of Official Languages in Minority Settings across Canada	325	-	-	325
Study on the Translation Bureau	1,021	-	1,037	2,058
Immigration to Francophone Minority Communities	6,817	3,183	1,453	11,452
Issues Related to the Enumeration of Rights-Holders Under Section 23 of the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms	6,847	725	1,013	8,585
Air Canada's Implementation of the Official Languages Act	-	-	338	338
Full Implementation of the Official Languages Act in the Canadian Justice System	1,169	-	-	1,169
TOTAL <sup>3</sup>	16,178	3,908	7,147	27,233

<sup>1</sup> Studies for which expenses were made are listed in chronological order.

<sup>2</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, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND	NUMBER OF MEETINGS			TOTAL MEETING	NUMBER OF	NUMBER OF	
SUBCOMMITTEE	TOTAL	τν¹	VC <sup>2</sup>	VR <sup>3</sup>	HOURS	WITNESSES	REPORTS
Standing Committee (LANG)	47	6	5	-	83h55m	129	2
TOTAL	47	6	5	-	83h55m	129	2

<sup>1</sup>Number of televised meetings.

<sup>2</sup> Number of meetings using videoconferencing.

<sup>3</sup> Number of meetings video recorded by members of the Canadian Parliamentary Press Gallery.

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

Between April 1 and August 31, 2016, the Committee held 16 meetings and presented five reports to the House. Its Seventh Report, presented and concurred in on April 18, dealt with changes to committee memberships and its Eighth Report, presented and concurred in on April 21, dealt with a change to the Standing Orders pursuant to the Committee's mandate under Standing Order 108(3)(*a*)(iii). Over two meetings, the Committee examined and approved three Votes in the *Main Estimates 2016-17*, reporting to the House on May 18. The Committee also continued its study entitled *Initiatives Toward a Family-friendly House of Commons*, hearing from 29 witnesses over 14 meetings. The Committee presented to the House on June 15 an interim report on this matter, its 11<sup>th</sup> Report. In addition, the Committee received two orders of reference from the House in relation to questions of privilege. On the matter of the *Question of Privilege Related to the Matter of the Premature Disclosure of the Contents of Bill C-14, An Act to amend the Criminal Code and to make related amendments to other Acts (medical assistance in dying), referred on April 19, the Committee held five public meetings and heard from three witnesses. On the matter of the <i>Question of Privilege Related to the Physical Molestation of the Member from Berthier—Maskinongé*, referred on May 19, the Committee held one meeting and agreed to consider the matter resolved, in light of the Prime Minister's apology and the statement of the Member from Berthier—Maskinongé.

The Subcommittee on Private Members' Business (SMEM) met pursuant to Standing Order 91.1 to examine the votability of some private Members' bills and motions; the Committee's Ninth Report, reporting the Subcommittee's recommendations was presented to the House and deemed concurred in on May 16.

Between September 1 and December 31, 2016, the Committee held 17 meetings and presented six reports to the House. On September 29, the Committee continued its study of the *Question of Privilege Related to the Matter of the Premature Disclosure of the Contents of Bill C-14, An Act to amend the Criminal Code and to make related amendments to other Acts (medical assistance in dying).* Over the course of ten meetings, the Committee studied the *Chief Electoral Officer's Report Entitled "An Electoral Framework for the 21st Century: Recommendations from the Chief Electoral Officer of Canada Following the 42nd General Election".* The Committee also held two briefings on the Parliamentary Protective Service and examined the *Supplementary Estimates (B), 2016-17,* reporting the same in its 15th Report, presented to the House on November 16. On December 8, pursuant to an order of reference that followed a debate held in the House on October 6, the Committee began a study of the *Standing Orders and Procedure of the House and its Committees.* On December 13, the Committee heard from the Minister of Democratic Institutions in relation to the *Subject Matter of Bill C-33, An Act to amend the Canada Elections Act and to make consequential amendments to other Acts.* 

The Subcommittee on Private Members' Business met pursuant to Standing Order 91.1 to examine the votability of some private Members' bills and motions. Two of the Committee's reports in this period contained recommendations of the Subcommittee. The 14th Report was presented to the House and deemed concurred in on October 19, while the 16th Report was presented to the House and deemed concurred 16.

Between January 1 and March 31, 2017, the Committee continued its study of the *Chief Electoral Officer's Report Entitled* "An Electoral Framework for the 21st Century: Recommendations from the Chief Electoral Officer of Canada Following the 42nd General Election", holding seven meetings on the subject. The Committee presented two interim reports to the House in relation to this study: its 23rd Report, presented on March 6, and its 27th Report, presented on March 21. The Committee also received a Briefing with the Minister of Democratic Institutions over the course of two meetings. In addition, the Committee examined the Supplementary Estimates (C), 2016-17 and presented its 25th Report to the House on March 8. At the end of this period, meeting No. 55 of the Committee, which had started on March 21, was still underway with members debating a motion to modify the scope of its study of the Standing Orders and procedure of the House and its committees.

The Subcommittee on Private Members' Business met pursuant to Standing Order 91.1 to consider the votability of some Private Members' bills and motions. Three of the Committee's reports to the House during this period contained recommendations of the Subcommittee: its 19th Report, presented on February 6; its 21st Report, presented on February 8; and its 28th Report, presented on March 21.

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

## PROC COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP (as of March 31, 2017)

Hon. Larry Bagnell (Chair), Blake Richards (Vice-Chair), David Christopherson (Vice-Chair), Arnold Chan, David de Burgh Graham, Scott Reid, Ruby Sahota, Jamie Schmale, Scott Simms, Filomena Tassi

#### SMEM SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP (as of March 31, 2017)

Filomena Tassi (Chair), Arnold Chan, Irene Mathyssen, Blake Richards

#### EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

STUDY NAME <sup>1</sup>	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCES	OTHER <sup>2</sup>	TOTAL <sup>3</sup>
Operational Budget <sup>4</sup>	-	-	9,988	9,988
Initiatives Toward a Family-Friendly House of Commons	-	2,310	708	3,018
Independent Advisory Board for Senate Appointments	2,418	400	251	3,069
Chief Electoral Officer's Report - Recommendations Following the 42nd General Election	-	-	758	758
TOTAL <sup>3</sup>	2,418	2,710	11,704	16,833

<sup>1</sup> Studies for which expenses were made are listed in chronological order.

<sup>2</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>4</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, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND	NUMBER OF MEETINGS			TOTAL MEETING	NUMBER OF	NUMBER OF	
SUBCOMMITTEE	TOTAL	τν <sup>1</sup>	VC <sup>2</sup>	VR <sup>3</sup>	HOURS	WITNESSES	REPORTS
Standing Committee (PROC)	42	9	6	1	103h05m	122	22
Subcommittee on Private Members' Business (SMEM) <sup>4</sup>	5	-	-	-	0h18m	-	-
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SPRO) <sup>4</sup>	6	-	-	-	2h28m	-	-
TOTAL	53	9	6	1	105h51m	122	22

<sup>1</sup>Number of televised meetings.

<sup>2</sup> Number of meetings using videoconferencing.

<sup>3</sup> Number of meetings video recorded by members of the Canadian Parliamentary Press Gallery.

# STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS (PACP)

From April 1 to August 31, 2016, the Committee adopted seven reports from the Second Session of the 41st Parliament and presented them to the House on May 12. During this period, the Committee also studied the 2016–17 Report on Plans and Priorities and the Main Estimates 2016-17. The latter was the subject of its Eighth Report, presented to the House on May 12. In addition, the Committee held a Briefing with the Canadian Comprehensive Auditing Foundation (CCAF) and held a Briefing session with the Office of the Law Clerk and Parliamentary Counsel. The Committee completed two studies related to the Fall 2015 Report of the Auditor General of Canada, namely, on Chapter 4, Information Technology Shared Services, and Chapter 5, Canadian Armed Forces Housing, for which it presented its Ninth and Tenth Reports to the House on June 1. The Committee also met to study two other chapters from the Fall 2015 Report of the Auditor General of Canada: Chapter 6, Canada Pension Plan Disability Program, and Chapter 1, Implementing Gender-Based Analysis. The latter was the subject of the Committee's 11th Report, presented on June 13. The Committee undertook a study of the Spring 2016 Reports of the Auditor General of Canada. Of these reports, the Committee studied Report 2, Detecting and Preventing Fraud in the Citizenship Program, Report 4, Drug Benefits-Veterans Affairs Canada, and Report 5, Canadian Army Reserve—National Defence. As part of these studies, the Auditor General of Canada and senior officials from the audited departments appeared before the Committee. Representatives of the Office of the Auditor General of Canada and the President and Chief Executive Officer of Via Rail Canada, as well as senior officials from the latter, appeared for the study on Via Rail Canada Inc., Special Examination Report of the Spring 2016 Reports of the Auditor General of Canada. Finally, the Committee carried out a study of the Public Accounts of Canada 2015, for which it presented its 12th Report to the House on June 16.

The Committee also travelled to Yellowknife, Northwest Territories, in August 2016 for the Annual Conference of the Canadian Council of Public Accounts Committees and the Canadian Council of Legislative Auditors.

From September 1 to December 31, 2016, the Committee held 18 meetings. It considered the *Spring 2016 Reports of the Auditor General of Canada*, presenting six reports to the House on this subject, and reviewed the *Public Accounts of Canada 2016*. The Committee also held *in camera* meetings with the Auditor General and the Canadian Comprehensive Auditing Foundation in order to better prepare its activities, and it undertook a *Review of the Plan of the Department of National Defence to Record and Value Inventory*. Lastly, the Committee began a study of the various *Fall 2016 Reports of the Auditor General of Canada*.

From January 1 to March 31, 2017, the Committee held ten meetings and presented three reports. The Committee concluded its work on the *Spring 2016 Reports of the Auditor General of Canada* with a report on *Report 3, The Governor in Council Appointment Process in Administrative Tribunals*. It also initiated work on the *Fall 2016 Reports* with the study of five of the seven reports, namely *Beyond the Border Action Plan, Preparing Indigenous Offenders for Release, First Nations Specific Claims, Oversight of Passenger Vehicle Safety* and *Income Tax Objections,* and presented to the House its own reports on two special examination reports, on the Atlantic Pilotage Association and on the International Development Research Centre. Finally, the Committee had an informal meeting with a delegation from the Public Account Committee of the National Assembly of the Republic of Kenya.

### MEMBERSHIP (as of March 31, 2017)

Hon. Kevin Sorenson (Chair), Alexandra Mendès (Vice-Chair), David Christopherson (Vice-Chair), Chandra Arya, Shaun Chen, T.J. Harvey, Matt Jeneroux, Paul Lefebvre, Phil McColeman, Brenda Shanahan

# STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS (PACP) (CONT'D)

### EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

STUDY NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCES	OTHER <sup>1</sup>	TOTAL <sup>2</sup>
Operational Budget <sup>3</sup>	-	138	3,223	3,361
TOTAL <sup>2</sup>	-	138	3,223	3,361

<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.

### TRAVEL EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

STUDY NAME	TRANSPORTATION	ACCOMMODATION	PER DIEMS	OTHER <sup>2</sup>	
Annual Conference of the Canadian Council of Public Accounts Committees and the Canadian Council of Legislative Auditors – Yellowknife (Northwest Territories)	14,282	5,300	1,919	3,375	24,875
TOTAL <sup>1</sup>	14,282	5,300	1,919	3,375	24,875

<sup>1</sup> Differences in totals are due to rounding.

<sup>2</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, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND	N	IUMBER O	F MEETING	s	TOTAL MEETING	NUMBER OF	NUMBER OF
SUBCOMMITTEE	TOTAL	τν <sup>1</sup>	VC <sup>2</sup>	VR <sup>3</sup>	HOURS	WITNESSES	REPORTS
Standing Committee (PACP)	43	19	-	-	65h41m	140	21
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SPAC) <sup>4</sup>	6	-	-	-	6h02m	-	-
TOTAL	49	19	-	-	71h43m	140	21

<sup>1</sup>Number of televised meetings.

<sup>2</sup> Number of meetings using videoconferencing.

<sup>3</sup> Number of meetings video recorded by members of the Canadian Parliamentary Press Gallery.

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

From April 1 to August 31, 2016, the Committee continued its study on *Operational Stress Injuries and Post Traumatic Stress Disorder in Public Safety Officers and First Responders*. The Committee studied the *Main Estimates 2016-17* as well as the *Supplementary Estimates (A), 2016-17*. The Committee also held a *Briefing on the Annual Report 2014-15 of the Office of the Correctional Investigator*. It finally considered Bill C-7, *An Act to amend the Public Service Labour Relations Act, the Public Service Labour Relations and Employment Board Act and other Acts and to provide for certain other measures*, and agreed on April 21 to report it with amendments.

From September 1 to December 31, 2016, the Committee presented its Fifth Report, on its study of *Operational Stress Injuries and Post Traumatic Stress Disorder in Public Safety Officers and First Responders*. The Committee also began a study of *Canada's National Security Framework*, traveling to Vancouver, Calgary, Toronto, Montréal and Halifax. It held two public meetings in each city, one with invited witnesses and one with audience remarks. The Committee also considered the *Supplementary Estimates (B), 2016-17*. It held a meeting on the *Retention of Data by the Canadian Security Intelligence Service (CSIS) and the Federal Court Decision of Thursday November 3, 2016*. Finally, it considered Bill C-22, *An Act to establish the National Security and Intelligence Committee of Parliamentarians and to make consequential amendments to certain Acts*, reporting it with amendments on December 9.

From January 1 to March 31, 2017, the Committee continued its study on *Canada's National Security Framework* and began the consideration of a draft report. The Committee also concluded its consideration of Bill C-226, *An Act to amend the Criminal Code (offences in relation to conveyances) and the Criminal Records Act and to make consequential amendments to other Acts*, reporting to the House on March 9, recommending that the Bill not proceed further.

### MEMBERSHIP (as of March 31, 2017)

Robert Oliphant (Chair), Larry Miller (Vice-Chair), Matthew Dubé (Vice-Chair), René Arseneault, Hon. Tony Clement, Pam Damoff, Nicola Di Iorio, Michel Picard, Sven Spengemann, Dianne L. Watts

### EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCES	OTHER <sup>2</sup>	TOTAL <sup>3</sup>
Operational Budget <sup>4</sup>	-	-	1,890	1,890
Operational Stress Injuries and Post Traumatic Stress Disorder in Public Safety Officers and First Responders	-	1,127	188	1,315
Bill C-7	4,838	300	519	5,657
Bill C-22	1,590	578	730	2,898
Canada's National Security Framework	5,548	731	358	6,637
Bill C-226	3,470	250	44	3,764
TOTAL <sup>3</sup>	15,447	2,986	3,729	22,161

<sup>1</sup> Studies for which expenses were made are listed in chronological order.

<sup>2</sup> "Other" (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

<sup>3</sup> Differences in totals are due to rounding.

<sup>4</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 PUBLIC SAFETY AND NATIONAL SECURITY (SECU) (CONT'D)

# TRAVEL EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

STUDY NAME	TRANSPORTATION	ACCOMMODATION	PER DIEMS	OTHER <sup>2</sup>	TOTAL <sup>1</sup>
Canada´s National Security Framework – Vancouver (British Columbia), Calgary (Alberta), Toronto (Ontario), Montréal (Quebec), Halifax (Nova Scotia)	35,786	12,908	4,142	35,758	88,595
TOTAL <sup>1</sup>	35,786	12,908	4,142	35,758	88,595

<sup>1</sup> Differences in totals are due to rounding.

<sup>2</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, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND	N	NUMBER OF MEETINGS			TOTAL MEETING	NUMBER OF	NUMBER OF
SUBCOMMITTEE	TOTAL	τν¹	VC <sup>2</sup>	VR <sup>3</sup>	HOURS	WITNESSES	REPORTS
Standing Committee (SECU)	49	4	12	6	91h55m	272	7
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SSEC) <sup>4</sup>	5	-	-	-	4h18m	-	-
TOTAL	54	4	12	6	96h13m	272	7

<sup>1</sup>Number of televised meetings.

<sup>2</sup> Number of meetings using videoconferencing.

<sup>3</sup> Number of meetings video recorded by members of the Canadian Parliamentary Press Gallery.

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

In the period from April 1 to August 31, 2016, the Committee concluded its study on *Gender-Based Analysis*, presenting its Fourth Report to the House on June 15. In the course of this study, the Committee held eight meetings and heard from 29 witnesses, among them officials from 13 federal departments and agencies. During the same period, the Committee presented its Third Report to the House challenging all Members of Parliament to complete the online course entitled "Introduction to Gender-Based Analysis Plus". In addition, the Committee resumed its study on *Violence Against Young Women and Girls in Canada*.

From September 1 to December 31, 2016, the Committee held 17 meetings. It continued its study of *Violence Against Young Women and Girls in Canada*, and heard from 99 witnesses. On November 28, the Committee studied the *Supplementary Estimates (B), 2016-17*, and presented its Fifth Report to the House, relative to this study, on November 29. The Committee also heard from the Minister of Status of Women on the government response to its Fourth Report entitled "Implementing Gender-Based Analysis Plus in the Government of Canada".

From January 1 and March 31, 2017, 14 meetings were held, and two bills were referred to the Committee. Bill C-309, *An Act to establish Gender Equality Week* was reported back to the House with amendments in the Committee's Sixth Report on February 24. Bill C-337, *An Act to amend the Judges Act and the Criminal Code (sexual assault)*, was referred to the Committee on March 8. On March 7, delegates from *Daughters of the Vote* appeared as witnesses during a special meeting of the Committee. During this period, the Committee also concluded its study of *Violence Against Young Women and Girls in Canada*, which had begun in April 2016 and it was the subject of the Committee's Seventh Report to the House, presented on March 20. Finally, on March 23, the Committee heard from the new Minister of Status of Women on her mandate letter, and, on the same day, studied the *Main Estimates 2017-18*, which were reported to the House in its Eighth Report on March 24.

### MEMBERSHIP (as of March 31, 2017)

Marilyn Gladu (Chair), Pam Damoff (Vice-Chair), Sheila Malcolmson (Vice-Chair), Sean Fraser, Rachael Harder, Karen Ludwig, Eva Nassif, Marc Serré, Anita Vandenbeld, Karen Vecchio

	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCES	OTHER <sup>2</sup>	TOTAL <sup>3</sup>
Operational Budget <sup>4</sup>	-	-	668	668
Violence Against Young Women and Girls in Canada	27,708	7,094	3,659	38,462
Gender-Based Analysis	2,602	5,049	1,088	8,738
Economic Security of Women in Canada	5,865	1,200	1,222	8,287
TOTAL <sup>3</sup>	36,175	13,343	6,637	56,155

### EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

<sup>1</sup> Studies for which expenses were made are listed in chronological order.

<sup>2</sup> "Other" (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

<sup>3</sup> Differences in totals are due to rounding.

<sup>4</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, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND	NUMBER OF MEETINGS			TOTAL MEETING	NUMBER OF	NUMBER OF	
SUBCOMMITTEE	TOTAL	τν¹	VC <sup>2</sup>	VR <sup>3</sup>	HOURS	WITNESSES	REPORTS
Standing Committee (FEWO)	47	5	17	-	81h55m	203	6
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SFEW) <sup>4</sup>	7	-	-	-	6h27m	-	-
TOTAL	54	5	17	-	88h22m	203	6

<sup>1</sup>Number of televised meetings.

<sup>2</sup> Number of meetings using videoconferencing.
<sup>3</sup> Number of meetings video recorded by members of the Canadian Parliamentary Press Gallery.

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

From April 1 to August 31, 2016, the Committee met 14 times. It continued its study of *Rail Safety*, hearing 40 witnesses and considering 23 briefs before presenting its Sixth Report on June 16. It had to suspend its study to consider Bill C-10, *An Act to amend the Air Canada Public Participation Act and to provide for certain other measures*, which it reported back to the House without amendment on May 12. It also considered the Votes of the *Supplementary Estimates (A), 2016-17* referred to the Committee and reported the same to the House. The Committee also undertook a study entitled *Certain Provisions of the Fair Rail for Grain Farmers Act* during which it considered the matter of the coming into force of Subsections 5.1(2), 6(2), 7(2), 8(2), 9(2), 10(2), 11(2) and 12(2) of the *Fair Rail for Grain Farmers Act*. This study resulted in the Fifth Report of the Committee which was presented to the House on May 31 and debated and concurred in on June 15. Finally, the Committee met once to hear evidence on the report of the review of the *Canada Transportation Act*.

Between September 1 and December 31, 2016, the Committee met 26 times. It considered the *Supplementary Estimates (B), 2016-17* and reported them to the House. It continued its study of *Certain Provisions of the Fair Rail for Grain Farmers Act*, and reported to the House after hearing 19 witnesses and considering seven briefs over seven meetings. After three meetings to study Bill C-227, An Act to amend the Department of Public Works and Government Services Act (community benefit), the Committee reported the Bill with amendments in its Eighth Report. It also enquired into *Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV) Regulations*. The Committee also reviewed the *Navigation Protection Act*, hearing 18 witnesses and receiving briefs from 121 organizations and 156 individuals.

From January 1 to March 31, 2017, the Committee met 11 times. It began a study of *Infrastructure and Smart Communities* during which it heard from 25 witnesses, including the Minister of Infrastructure and Communities, over six meetings. On February 21, the Committee tabled its Tenth Report, on its study of *Unmanned Air Vehicle (UAV) Regulations*. The Committee then held a *Briefing on Canada's New Infrastructure Plan* with the Parliamentary Budget Officer. Further to an order of reference from the House, the Committee also studied lead levels and the quality of tap water. On March 23, the Committee tabled its 11th Report: "A Study of the *Navigation Protection Act*". The Committee also considered the *Subject Matter of Supplementary Estimates (C), 2016-17*, and the *Main Estimates 2017-18*, for which 19 witnesses representing various agencies and Crown corporations reporting to the Department of Infrastructure and the Department of Transport appeared before the Committee.

### MEMBERSHIP (as of March 31, 2017)

Hon. Judy A. Sgro (Chair), Luc Berthold (Vice-Chair), Robert Aubin (Vice-Chair), Vance Badawey, Kelly Block, Sean Fraser, Ken Hardie, Angelo Iacono, Alain Rayes, Gagan Sikand

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

# EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

STUDY NAME <sup>1</sup>	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCES	OTHER <sup>2</sup>	TOTAL <sup>3</sup>
Operational Budget <sup>4</sup>	-	350	1,319	1,669
Rail Safety	3,096	1,454	1,059	5,608
Bill C-10	982	1,956	562	3,500
Supplementary Estimates (A), 2016-17	-	575	-	575
Certain Provisions of the Fair Rail for Grain Farmers Act	3,187	1,676	172	5,035
Navigation Protection Act	1,579	1,911	945	4,434
Bill C-227	-	1,330	172	1,502
Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV) Regulations	1,435	1,272	522	3,229
Supplementary Estimates (B), 2016-17	-	708	-	708
Infrastructure and Smart Communities	990	1,456	801	3,248
Canadian Infrastructure Bank	-	-	338	338
TOTAL <sup>3</sup>	11,269	12,688	5,889	29,846

<sup>1</sup> Studies for which expenses were made are listed in chronological order.

<sup>2</sup> "Other" (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

<sup>3</sup> Differences in totals are due to rounding.

<sup>4</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.

# TRAVEL EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

STUDY NAME	TRANSPORTATION ACCOMMODATION		PER DIEMS	OTHER <sup>2</sup>	TOTAL <sup>1</sup>
Rail Safety – Lac Mégantic (Quebec)	2,054	1,512	694	1,309	5,568
TOTAL <sup>1</sup>	2,054	1,512	694	1,309	5,568

<sup>1</sup> Differences in totals are due to rounding.

<sup>2</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, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND	NUMBER OF MEETINGS			TOTAL MEETING	NUMBER OF	NUMBER OF	
SUBCOMMITTEE	TOTAL	τν¹	VC <sup>2</sup>	VR <sup>3</sup>	HOURS	WITNESSES	REPORTS
Standing Committee (TRAN)	45	8	21	1	90h06m	211	9
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (STRA) <sup>4</sup>	2	-	-	-	2h03m	-	-
TOTAL	47	8	21	1	92h09m	211	9

<sup>1</sup> Number of televised meetings.
<sup>2</sup> Number of meetings using videoconferencing.
<sup>3</sup> Number of meetings video recorded by members of the Canadian Parliamentary Press Gallery.

# STANDING COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AFFAIRS (ACVA)

From April 1 to August 31, 2016, the Committee held meetings on the ministerial mandate of the Minister of Veterans Affairs. It also examined and approved the votes in the *Main Estimates 2016-17* referred to the Committee, presenting its Second Report to the House on April 18. The Committee continued its study of *Service Delivery to Veterans*, hearing 51 witnesses in total, and holding 14 meetings during this reporting period. In addition, the Committee travelled to London and Toronto, Ontario, and Montréal, Quebec, to conduct site visits and hold public hearings.

Between September 1 and December 31, 2016, the Committee completed its study of *Service Delivery to Veterans*, presenting its Third Report to the House on December 9. The Committee also began its study of *Mental Health and Suicide Prevention Among Veterans*, hearing testimony from 26 witnesses over eight meetings. Furthermore, the Committee met once to consider the *Subject Matter of Supplementary Estimates (B), 2016-17*.

Between January 1 and March 31, 2017, the Committee continued its study of *Mental Health and Suicide Prevention Among Veterans*, hearing testimony from 34 witnesses over nine meetings. Also, the Committee met to examine the *Supplementary Estimates (C), 2016-17* and the *Main Estimates 2017-18*, resulting in its Fourth and Fifth Reports, which were presented to the House on March 9.

#### MEMBERSHIP (as of March 31, 2017)

Neil R. Ellis (Chair), Robert Kitchen (Vice-Chair), Irene Mathyssen (Vice-Chair), John Brassard, Bob Bratina, Doug Eyolfson, Colin Fraser, David de Burgh Graham, Alaina Lockhart, Cathay Wagantall

STUDY NAME <sup>1</sup>	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCES	OTHER <sup>2</sup>	TOTAL <sup>3</sup>
Operational Budget <sup>4</sup>	-	-	1,792	1,792
Service Delivery to Veterans	12,086	5,234	1,145	18,465
Mental Health and Suicide Prevention Among Veterans	15,526	2,641	1,410	19,577
TOTAL <sup>3</sup>	27,612	7,874	4,347	39,833

<sup>1</sup> Studies for which expenses were made are listed in chronological order.

<sup>2</sup> "Other" (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

<sup>3</sup> Differences in totals are due to rounding.

<sup>4</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.

# TRAVEL EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

STUDY NAME	TRANSPORTATION	ACCOMMODATION	PER DIEMS	OTHER <sup>2</sup>	TOTAL <sup>1</sup>
Service Delivery to Veterans – London and Toronto (Ontario), Montréal (Quebec)	12,566	3,345	1,497	11,446	28,853
TOTAL <sup>1</sup>	12,566	3,345	1,497	11,446	28,853

 <sup>1</sup> Differences in totals are due to rounding.
<sup>2</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, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND	N	NUMBER OF MEETINGS			TOTAL MEETING	NUMBER OF	NUMBER OF		
SUBCOMMITTEE	TOTAL	τν¹	VC <sup>2</sup>	VR <sup>3</sup>	HOURS	-	_	WITNESSES	REPORTS
Standing Committee (ACVA)	42	4	11	1	75h32m	154	4		
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SACV) <sup>4</sup>	4	-	-	-	2h36m	-	-		
TOTAL	46	4	11	1	78h08m	154	4		

<sup>1</sup> Number of televised meetings. <sup>2</sup> Number of meetings using videoconferencing.

<sup>3</sup> Number of meetings video recorded by members of the Canadian Parliamentary Press Gallery.

### LIAISON COMMITTEE (LIAI)

The Liaison Committee consists of the chairs of all the standing committees and the House co-chairs of the standing joint committees. Its main responsibility—apportioning funds to standing committees from the money allocated for that purpose by the Board of Internal Economy—is usually delegated to the Subcommittee on Committee Budgets (SBLI).

The Committee met twice during the period from April to August 2016 to discuss various administrative issues, including committee travel and a request for additional funding from the Board of Internal Economy. The Committee adopted its Second Report on committee activities and expenditures for the period from April 1, 2015, to March 31, 2016, and presented it to the House on June 6. The Subcommittee met six times to consider budget submissions related to committee studies and travel.

During the period from September 1 to December 31, 2016, the Committee met once. During that meeting, the Committee adopted its Third Report on committee activities and expenditures for the first five months of the fiscal year. The Committee also agreed to request that the Board of Internal Economy allocate an additional \$600,000 to the global envelope for committee activities for the current fiscal year, and to approve the use of the existing funds reserved for experts' services be available to fund all other committee activities. In addition, the Subcommittee met six times to consider budget submissions related to committee studies and travel.

The Committee did not meet during the period between January 1 and March 31, 2017. The Subcommittee met twice to consider travel proposals and budgets, as well as to discuss committee business.

#### LIAI COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP (as of March 31, 2017)

Hon. Judy A. Sgro (Chair), Tom Lukiwski (Vice-Chair), Harold Albrecht, Hon. Larry Bagnell, Blaine Calkins, Bill Casey, Hon. Wayne Easter, Neil R. Ellis, Hon. Mark Eyking, Pat Finnigan, Hon. Hedy Fry, Stephen Fuhr, Marilyn Gladu, Anthony Housefather, James Maloney, Bryan May, Hon. MaryAnn Mihychuk, Hon. Robert D. Nault, Robert Oliphant, Hon. Denis Paradis, Dan Ruimy, Deborah Schulte, Scott Simms, Hon. Kevin Sorenson, Borys Wrzesnewskyj

#### SBLI SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP (as of March 31, 2017)

Hon. Judy A. Sgro (Chair), Blaine Calkins, Hon. Wayne Easter, Stephen Fuhr, Tom Lukiwski, Deborah Schulte

### EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

STUDY NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCES	OTHER <sup>1</sup>	TOTAL <sup>2</sup>
Operational Budget <sup>3</sup>	-	-	877	877
TOTAL <sup>2</sup>	-	-	877	877

<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, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND	N	IUMBER O	F MEETING	S	TOTAL NUMBER MEETING OF		NUMBER OF
SUBCOMMITTEE	TOTAL	τν¹	VC <sup>2</sup>	VR <sup>3</sup>	HOURS	WITNESSES	REPORTS
Standing Committee (LIAI)	3	-	-	-	2h14m	-	2
Subcommittee on Committee Budgets (SBLI) <sup>4</sup>	14	-	-	-	7h37m	-	-
TOTAL	17	-	-	-	9h51m	-	2

<sup>1</sup> Number of televised meetings.
<sup>2</sup> Number of meetings using videoconferencing.
<sup>3</sup> Number of meetings video recorded by members of the Canadian Parliamentary Press Gallery.

# **STANDING JOINT COMMITTEES**

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

The Committee did not meet during the period between April 1, 2016 and March 31, 2017.

#### MEMBERSHIP FROM THE HOUSE OF COMMONS (as of March 31, 2017)

William Amos, Gordon Brown, Kerry Diotte, Todd Doherty, Angelo Iacono, Hon. Mike Lake, Michael Levitt, Eva Nassif, Anne Minh-Thu Quach, Don Rusnak, Gagan Sikand, Scott Simms

#### MEMBERSHIP FROM THE SENATE (as of March 31, 2017)

The Hon. Salma Ataullahjan, the Hon. Nicole Eaton, the Hon. Terry M. Mercer

#### EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

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

<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, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND	NUMBER OF MEETINGS			TOTAL MEETING	NUMBER OF	NUMBER OF	
SUBCOMMITTEE	TOTAL	TV <sup>1</sup>	VC <sup>2</sup>	VR <sup>3</sup>	HOURS	WITNESSES	REPORTS
Standing Joint Committee (BILI)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

<sup>1</sup>*Number of televised meetings.* 

<sup>2</sup> Number of meetings using videoconferencing.

<sup>3</sup> Number of meetings video recorded by members of the Canadian Parliamentary Press Gallery.

# STANDING JOINT COMMITTEE FOR THE SCRUTINY OF REGULATIONS (REGS)

During the period from April 1 to August 31, 2016, the Standing Joint Committee for the Scrutiny of Regulations examined a number of statutory instruments. It held six meetings and heard from three witnesses, from the Canadian Food Inspection Agency, the Department of Justice and the Department of the Environment.

From September 1 to December 31, 2016, the Standing Joint Committee continued to examine statutory instruments. It held six meetings and heard from four witnesses, from the Farm Products Council of Canada, the Department of Agriculture and Agri-Food and Parks Canada.

From January 1 to March 31, 2017, the Standing Joint Committee continued to examine statutory instruments. It held four meetings and heard from five witnesses from the Department of the Environment, the Department of Agriculture and Agri-Food, and the Department of Justice. The Committee also adopted its Second and Third Reports both of which were presented to the House of Commons on March 23, 2017. Finally, the Hon. Pana Merchant resigned from the Senate on March 30, 2017 and accordingly her position as Senate Co-Chair of the Joint Committee became vacant the same day.

#### MEMBERSHIP FROM THE HOUSE OF COMMONS (as of March 31, 2017)

Harold Albrecht (Co-Chair), Vance Badawey (Vice-Chair), Pierre-Luc Dusseault (Vice-Chair), Nicola Di Iorio, Kerry Diotte, Ali Ehsassi, Fayçal El-Khoury, Garnett Genuis, John Oliver, Bernadette Jordan, Marco Mendicino, Salma Zahid

#### MEMBERSHIP FROM THE SENATE (as of March 31, 2017)

Hon. Bob Runciman, Hon. Pamela Wallin

### EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

STUDY NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCES	OTHER <sup>1</sup>	TOTAL <sup>2</sup>
Operational Budget <sup>3</sup>	-	-	89	89
TOTAL <sup>2</sup>	-	-	89	89

<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, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND	N	IUMBER O	F MEETING	s	TOTAL MEETING	NUMBER OF	NUMBER OF
SUBCOMMITTEE	TOTAL	τν¹	VC <sup>2</sup>	VR <sup>3</sup>	HOURS	WITNESSES	REPORTS
Standing Joint Committee (REGS)	16	-	-	-	29h15m	12	2
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SREG) <sup>4</sup>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	16	-	-	-	29h15m	12	2

<sup>1</sup>Number of televised meetings.

<sup>2</sup> Number of meetings using videoconferencing.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Number of meetings video recorded by members of the Canadian Parliamentary Press Gallery.

# **SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

#### SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON ELECTORAL REFORM (ERRE)

On Tuesday, June 7, 2016, the House of Commons adopted a motion establishing the Special Committee on Electoral Reform. The Committee consisted of 12 members, including representatives of unrecognized parties such as the Bloc Québécois and the Green Party of Canada. It held its first meeting on June 21 and elected a chair and vice-chairs. From April to the end of August, the Committee held 23 meetings, heard 54 witnesses, received 99 briefs that it posted on its website, and received 467 emails and letters from members of the public. It adopted a travel budget to take it to 18 cities across Canada. It also posted an online consultation on electoral reform. At the end of the period in question, some 700 Canadians had completed this questionnaire. In accordance with the motion adopted by the House, the Committee invited all 338 Members of the House of Commons to hold town hall meetings in their ridings and report their findings to the Committee by Friday, October 14. To assist them, the Committee provided them with an information kit and a template. As of August 31, the Committee had received four reports from MPs, which were posted on its website.

During the period from September 1 to December 31, 2016, the Committee concluded its study on *Electoral Reform*. As part of its mandate to "consult broadly with relevant experts and organizations", and to "conduct a national engagement process that includes a comprehensive and inclusive consultation with Canadians", the Committee heard in total from 196 witnesses over 57 meetings, including officials from Australia, Germany, Ireland, New Zealand, and the United Kingdom. In addition to formal hearings, the Committee also heard from 567 open-mic participants during its three-week cross-Canada tour that visited 18 cities, and connected with Canadians through social media using the hashtags #ERRE #Q, the publication of targeted media releases, and the live audio broadcast of the Committee's meetings outside Parliament Hill. In addition, an informal meeting was held with local Indigenous leaders on the territory of Tsartlip First Nation in British Columbia. The Committee received 574 briefs from organizations, academics and citizens, and a total of 22,247 completed responses to its online e-consultation on voting and electoral systems. The Committee also received 172 town hall reports from individual Members of Parliament who held various consultations with their constituents, as well a report from the Conservative Caucus and one from the New Democratic Party Caucus, for a total of 174 reports. The Committee presented its Third Report to the House on December 1, entitled *Strengthening Democracy in Canada: Principles, Process and Public Engagement for Electoral Reform*.

#### MEMBERSHIP (as of December 1, 2016)

Francis Scarpaleggia (Chair), Scott Reid (Vice-Chair), Nathan Cullen (Vice-Chair), John Aldag, Alexandre Boulerice, Matt DeCourcey, Gérard Deltell, Elizabeth May, Blake Richards, Sherry Romanado, Ruby Sahota, Luc Thériault

STUDY NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCES	OTHER <sup>1</sup>	TOTAL <sup>2</sup>
Operational Budget <sup>3</sup>	30,495	13,463	38,362	82,320
Service contract – Professional Services (Library of Parliament Research Assistants)	-	-	43,519	43,519
TOTAL <sup>2</sup>	30,495	13,463	81,881	125,839

### EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

<sup>1</sup> "Other" 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.

# SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON ELECTORAL REFORM (ERRE) (CONT'D)

# TRAVEL EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

STUDY NAME <sup>1</sup>	TRANSPORTATION	ACCOMMODATION	PER DIEMS	OTHER <sup>2</sup>	TOTAL <sup>3</sup>
Electoral Reform – Regina (Saskatchewan), Winnipeg and St Pierre Jolys (Manitoba), Toronto (Ontario), Québec and Joliette (Quebec)	40,126	16,215	3,691	53,866	113,898
Electoral Reform – Whitehorse (Yukon), Victoria and Vancouver (British Columbia), Leduc (Alberta), Yellowknife (Northwest Territories)	54,077	19,328	5,961	73,147	152,512
Electoral Reform – Montréal (Quebec), St. John´s (Newfoundland and Labrador), Halifax (Nova Scotia), Charlottetown (Prince Edward Island), Fredericton (New Brunswick)	43,604	18,054	3,867	50,730	116,254
Electoral Reform – Iqaluit (Nunavut)	68,602	6,110	1,766	18,768	95,245
TOTAL <sup>3</sup>	206,408	59,706	15,284	196,511	477,910

 <sup>1</sup> Studies for which expenses were made are listed in chronological order.
<sup>2</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. <sup>3</sup> Differences in totals are due to rounding.

### MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

SPECIAL COMMITTEE	N	IUMBER O	F MEETING	S	TOTAL MEETING	NUMBER OF	NUMBER OF REPORTS
	TOTAL	τν¹	VC <sup>2</sup>	VR <sup>3</sup>	HOURS	WITNESSES	
Special Committee (ERRE)	57	26	8	1	217h48m	763	3
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SERR) <sup>4</sup>	7	-	-	-	8h45m	-	-
TOTAL	64	26	8	1	226h33m	763	3

<sup>1</sup>Number of televised meetings.

<sup>2</sup> Number of meetings using videoconferencing.

<sup>3</sup> Number of meetings video recorded by members of the Canadian Parliamentary Press Gallery.

# SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON PAY EQUITY (ESPE)

During the period covered by this report, the Committee continued and finished its study on *Pay Equity* by presenting its first report to the House on June 9. Once its report was presented, the Committee ceased its activities, as its mandate had been fulfilled. In all, the Committee held 12 meetings, heard 50 witnesses and received 11 briefs.

#### MEMBERSHIP (as of June 9, 2016)

Anita Vandenbeld (Chair), Shannon Stubbs (Vice-Chair), Sheri Benson (Vice-Chair), Dan Albas, Matt DeCourcey, Julie Dzerowicz, Marilyn Gladu, Eva Nassif, Terry Sheehan, Sonia Sidhu

#### EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

STUDY NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCES	OTHER <sup>1</sup>	TOTAL <sup>2</sup>
Operational Budget <sup>3</sup>	2,140	3,251	3,864	9,255
TOTAL <sup>2</sup>	2,140	3,251	3,864	9,255

<sup>1</sup> "Other" 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, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

SPECIAL COMMITTEE	N	IUMBER OI	F MEETING	s	TOTAL MEETING	NUMBER OF	NUMBER OF	
	TOTAL	τν¹	VC <sup>2</sup>	VR <sup>3</sup>	HOURS	WITNESSES	REPORTS	
Special Committee (ESPE)	10	5	3	-	22h51m	48	1	
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SESP) <sup>4</sup>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
TOTAL	10	5	3	-	22h51m	48	1	

<sup>1</sup>*Number of televised meetings.* 

<sup>2</sup> Number of meetings using videoconferencing.

<sup>3</sup> Number of meetings video recorded by members of the Canadian Parliamentary Press Gallery.

# COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES AND EXPENDITURES SUMMARY

# SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES BY COMMITTEE (April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

# STANDING COMMITTEES

STANDING COMMITTEES AND	N	UMBER O	F MEETING	iS	TOTAL		NUMBER OF	
SUBCOMMITTEES1	TOTAL	TV <sup>2</sup>	VC <sup>3</sup>	VR <sup>4</sup>	MEETING HOURS	NUMBER OF WITNESSES	REPORTS <sup>5</sup>	
Access to Information, Privacy and Ethics (ETHI)	46	4	12	2	80h00m	160	4	
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SETH)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Agriculture and Agri-Food (AGRI)	44	2	6	-	71h44m	138	4	
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SAGR)	3	-	-	-	2h22m	-	-	
Canadian Heritage (CHPC)	45	13	11	2	81h32m	188	4	
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SCHP)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Citizenship and Immigration (CIMM)	49	15	23	2	104h01m	287	9	
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SCIM)	9	-	-	-	7h33m	-	-	
Environment and Sustainable Development (ENVI)	45	1	15	-	87h04m	183	5	
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SENV)	6	-	-	-	3h53m	-	-	
Finance (FINA)	62	39	5	-	157h36m	562	12	
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SFIN)	7	-	-	-	5h28m	-	-	
Fisheries and Oceans (FOPO)	47	8	16	-	84h35m	164	9	
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SFOP)	3	-	-	-	2h54m	-	-	
Foreign Affairs and International Development (FAAE)	48	11	18	1	86h32m	144	6	
Subcommittee on International Human Rights (SDIR)	52	5	11	-	45h38m	72	-	
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SFAA)	9	-	-	-	4h25m	-	-	

# STANDING COMMITTEES (CONT'D)

STANDING COMMITTEES AND	NUMBER OF MEETINGS			TOTAL MEETING	NUMBER OF	NUMBER OF	
SUBCOMMITTEES <sup>1</sup>	TOTAL	TV <sup>2</sup>	VC <sup>3</sup>	VR <sup>4</sup>	HOURS	WITNESSES	REPORTS <sup>5</sup>
Government Operations and Estimates (OGGO)	73	15	5	1	147h06m	458	4
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SOGG)	6	-	-	-	3h51m	-	-
Health (HESA)	43	10	8	1	82h37m	177	6
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SHES)	1	-	-	-	1h48m	-	-
Human Resources, Skills and Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities (HUMA)	46	5	14	-	90h38m	264	5
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SHUM)	1	-	-	-	0h50m	-	-
Indigenous and Northern Affairs (INAN)	44	28	7	-	85h17m	203	3
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SINA)	2	-	-	-	1h24m	-	-
Industry, Science and Technology (INDU)	47	3	4	1	88h40m	144	3
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SIND)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
International Trade (CIIT)	56	3	14	-	127h20m	518	5
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SCII)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Justice and Human Rights (JUST)	45	16	3	-	84h01m	224	9
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SJUS)	2	-	-	-	1h10m	-	-
National Defence (NDDN)	37	3	7	6	66h04m	84	2
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SNDD)	3	-	-	-	2h12m	-	-
Natural Resources (RNNR)	45	3	16	-	69h36m	163	3
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SRNN)	2	-	-	-	0h46m	-	-

# STANDING COMMITTEES (CONT'D)

STANDING COMMITTEES AND	NUMBER OF MEETINGS			TOTAL	NUMBER OF	NUMBER OF	
SUBCOMMITTEES <sup>1</sup>	TOTAL	τν²	VC <sup>3</sup>	VR <sup>4</sup>	MEETING HOURS	WITNESSES	REPORTS <sup>5</sup>
Official Languages (LANG)	47	6	5	-	83h55m	129	2
Procedure and House Affairs (PROC)	42	9	6	1	103h05m	122	22
Subcommittee on Private Members' Business (SMEM)	5	-	-	-	0h18m	-	-
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SPRO)	6	-	-	-	2h28m	-	-
Public Accounts (PACP)	43	19	-	-	65h41m	140	21
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SPAC)	6	-	-	-	6h02m	-	-
Public Safety and National Security (SECU)	49	4	12	6	91h55m	272	7
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SSEC)	5	-	-	-	4h18m	-	-
Status of Women (FEWO)	47	5	17	-	81h55m	203	6
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SFEW)	7	-	-	-	6h27m	-	-
Transport, Infrastructure and Communities (TRAN)	45	8	21	1	90h06m	211	9
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (STRA)	2	-	-	-	2h03m	-	-
Veterans Affairs (ACVA)	42	4	11	1	75h32m	154	4
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SACV)	4	-	-	-	2h36m	-	-
Liaison (LIAI)	3	-	-	-	2h14m	-	2
Subcommittee on Committee Budgets (SBLI)	14	-	-	-	7h37m	-	-
TOTAL STANDING AND SUBCOMMITTEES	1,295	239	267	26	2,304h52m	5,369	166

# **STANDING JOINT COMMITTEES**

	N	NUMBER OF MEETINGS				NUMBER OF	NUMBER OF
STANDING JOINT COMMITTEES	TOTAL	TV <sup>2</sup>	VC <sup>3</sup>	VR <sup>4</sup>	MEETING HOURS	WITNESSES	REPORTS <sup>5</sup>
Library of Parliament (BILI)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Scrutiny of Regulations (REGS)	16	-	-	-	29h15m	12	2
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SREG)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL STANDING JOINT COMMITTEES	16	-	-	-	29h15m	12	2

## **SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

	N	IUMBER OI	MEETING	s	TOTAL MEETING	NUMBER OF	NUMBER OF	
SPECIAL COMMITTEES	TOTAL	TV <sup>2</sup>	VC <sup>3</sup>	VR⁴	HOURS	WITNESSES	<b>REPORTS<sup>5</sup></b>	
Electoral Reform (ERRE)	57	26	8	1	217h48m	763	3	
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SERR)	7	-	-	-	8h45m	-	-	
Pay Equity (ESPE)	10	5	3	-	22h51m	48	1	
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SESP)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
TOTAL SPECIAL COMMITTEE	74	31	11	1	249h25m	811	4	

### TOTAL ALL COMMITTEES

	N	UMBER OF	MEETING	5	TOTAL MEETING HOURS	NUMBER OF WITNESSES	NUMBER OF REPORTS <sup>5</sup>
ALL COMMITTEES	TOTAL	TV <sup>2</sup>	VC <sup>3</sup>	VR <sup>4</sup>			
TOTAL ALL COMMITTEES	1,385	270	278	27	2,583h32m	6,192	172

<sup>1</sup> In practice, most committees create a subcommittee on agenda and procedure, commonly referred to as a "steering committee", to help them plan their work. The establishment of subcommittees is usually designed to relieve parliamentary committees of planning and administrative tasks, or to address important issues relating to their mandate. <sup>2</sup> Number of televised meetings.

<sup>3</sup> Number of meetings using videoconferencing <sup>4</sup> Number of meetings video recorded by members of the Canadian Parliamentary Press Gallery.

# SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES BY COMMITTEE (April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

## STANDING COMMITTEES

COMMITTEE NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCES	OTHER <sup>1</sup>	TRAVEL	TOTAL <sup>2</sup>
Access to Information, Privacy and Ethics (ETHI)	15,776	8,626	4,141	-	28,542
Agriculture and Agri-Food (AGRI)	25,455	2,984	4,782	32,140	65,361
Canadian Heritage (CHPC)	29,295	8,833	8,651	-	46,779
Citizenship and Immigration (CIMM)	69,848	17,264	13,449	-	100,560
Environment and Sustainable Development (ENVI)	18,307	15,800	9,937	74,256	118,300
Finance (FINA)	64,953	2,413	17,067	157,320	241,753
Fisheries and Oceans (FOPO)	24,271	16,201	3,670	69,268	113,411
Foreign Affairs and International Development (FAAE)	10,273	19,428	21,045	213,870	264,615
Government Operations and Estimates (OGGO)	10,777	1,831	6,269	321,516	340,393
Health (HESA)	39,970	3,777	4,535	-	48,281
Human Resources, Skills and Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities (HUMA)	55,601	19,969	6,394	126,038	208,001
Indigenous and Northern Affairs (INAN)	36,991	2,769	3,552	147,759	191,071
Industry, Science and Technology (INDU)	10,973	1,819	3,432	5,500	21,725
International Trade (CIIT)	20,922	16,006	6,087	235,504	278,520
Justice and Human Rights (JUST)	68,735	4,851	11,445	15,002	100,032
National Defence (NDDN)	8,946	3,690	7,106	91,795	111,537
Natural Resources (RNNR)	21,599	7,939	2,096	-	31,633
Official Languages (LANG)	16,178	3,908	7,147	-	27,233
Procedure and House Affairs (PROC)	2,418	2,710	11,704	-	16,833
Public Accounts (PACP)	-	138	3,223	24,875	28,236
Public Safety and National Security (SECU)	15,447	2,986	3,729	88,595	110,756
Status of Women (FEWO)	36,175	13,343	6,637	-	56,155
Transport, Infrastructure and Communities (TRAN)	11,269	12,688	5,889	5,568	35,414
Veterans Affairs (ACVA)	27,612	7,874	4,347	28,853	68,686
Liaison (LIAI)	-	-	877	-	877
TOTAL <sup>2</sup>	641,791	197,847	177,211	1,637,859	2,654,704

#### SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES BY COMMITTEE (April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017) (CONT'D)

#### STANDING JOINT COMMITTEES

COMMITTEE NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCES	OTHER <sup>1</sup>	TRAVEL	TOTAL <sup>2</sup>
Library of Parliament (BILI)	-	-	-	-	-
Scrutiny of Regulations (REGS)	-	-	89	-	89
TOTAL <sup>2</sup>	-	-	89	-	89

#### SPECIAL COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCES	OTHER <sup>1</sup>	TRAVEL	TOTAL <sup>2</sup>
Electoral Reform (ERRE)	30,495	13,463	81,881	477,910	603,749
Pay Equity (ESPE)	2,140	3,251	3,864	-	9,255
TOTAL <sup>2</sup>	32,635	16,714	85,745	477,910	613,004

#### **TOTAL ALL COMMITTEES**

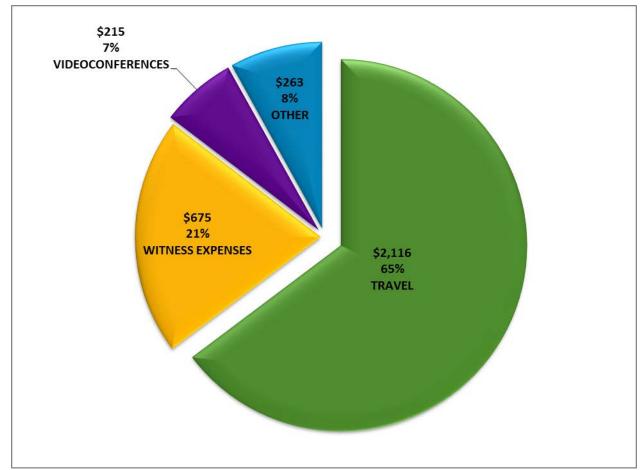
ALL COMMITTEES	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCES	OTHER <sup>1</sup>	TRAVEL	TOTAL <sup>2</sup>	
GRAND TOTAL <sup>2</sup>	674,426	214,561	263,045	2,115,769	3,267,798	

<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.

# COMMITTEE EXPENDITURES BREAKDOWN FOR ALL TYPES OF COMMITTEES (April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

# FIGURE 1 – COMMITTEE EXPENDITURES BREAKDOWN FOR ALL TYPES OF COMMITTEES (in thousands of dollars)



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

# COMMITTEE EXPENDITURES BREAKDOWN FOR ALL TYPES OF COMMITTEES (April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017) (CONT'D)

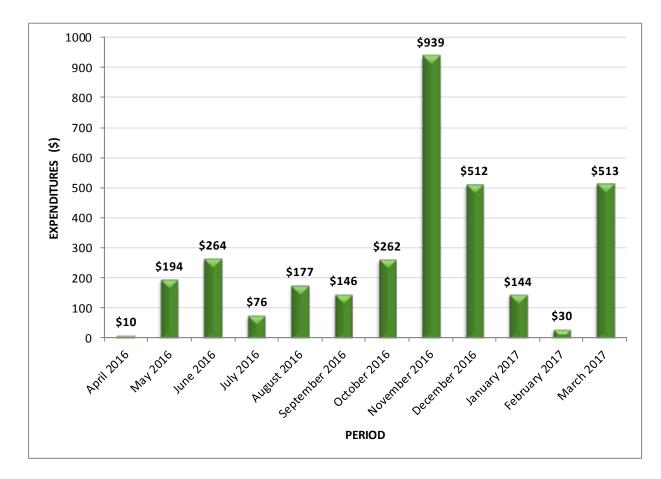


FIGURE 2 – COMMITTEE EXPENDITURES BY MONTH (in thousands of dollars)

The tables below outline committee activities and expenditures over the last five fiscal years. Please note that all subcommittee expenditures have been added to the expenditures of the related standing committees.

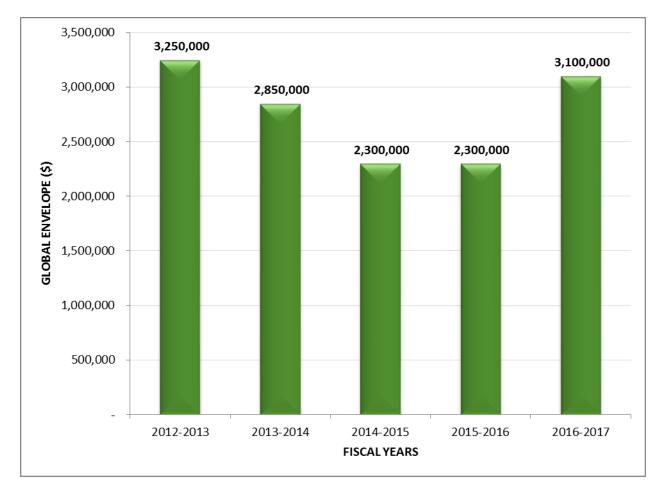
GLOBAL ENVELOPE (\$)									
	2012–2013	2013–2014	2014–2015	2015–2016	2016–2017				
Core funding	3,000,000	2,600,000	2,050,000	2,050,000	3,100,000				
E-consultation services and expert resources	250,000	250,000	250,000	250,000	** _				
Total	3,250,000	2,850,000	2,300,000	2,300,000	3,100,000				

#### GLOBAL ENVELOPE FOR COMMITTEES FOR THE LAST FIVE FISCAL YEARS\*

<sup>\*</sup> Excluding amounts provided for special and legislative committees, funded directly by the Board of Internal Economy.

<sup>\*\*</sup>As per the February 23, 2017 decision of the Board of Internal Economy, funds for e-consultation services and expert resources were transferred to the global envelope for committees and removed as a separate category.

#### FIGURE 3 – COMPARISON OF THE GLOBAL ENVELOPE FOR THE LAST FIVE FISCAL YEARS



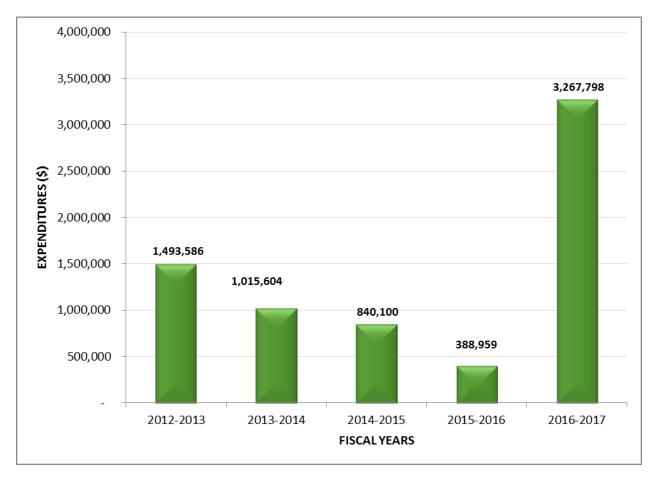
#### COMMITTEE EXPENDITURES FOR THE LAST FIVE FISCAL YEARS (CONT'D)

ТҮРЕ		EXPENDITURES (\$)									
	2012–2013	2013–2014	2014–2015	2015–2016	2016–2017						
Standing	1,450,039	995,263	840,100	365,902	2 654 793						
Legislative	6,661	-	-	-	-						
Special	36,886	20,341	-	702	613 004						
Special Joint	-	-	-	22,355	-						
TOTAL*	1,493,586**	1,015,604**	840,100**	388,959**	3 267 798**						

\* Differences in totals are due to rounding.

\*\*Totals include expenses made by Special, Special Joint and Legislative committees with funds approved directly by the Board of Internal Economy. Expenses for Standing and Standing Joint committees are made from a separate global envelope for committee activities, managed by the Liaison Committee, which is also allocated by the Board of Internal Economy.

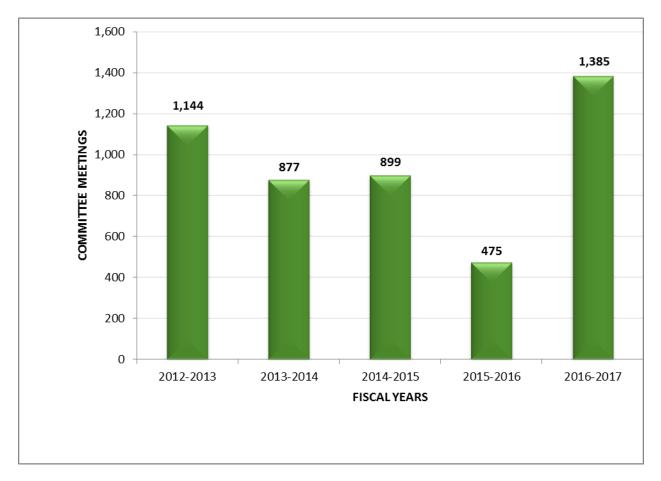
# FIGURE 4 – COMPARISON OF COMMITTEE EXPENDITURES FOR THE LAST FIVE FISCAL YEARS (ALL COMMITTEES)



#### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THE LAST FIVE FISCAL YEARS

ТҮРЕ	NUMBER OF MEETINGS									
	2012–2013	2013–2014	2014–2015	2015–2016	2016–2017					
Standing	1,134	859	899	457	1,311					
Legislative	-	-	-	-	-					
Special	10	18	-	2	74					
Special Joint	-	-	-	16	-					
TOTAL	1,144	877	899	475	1,385					

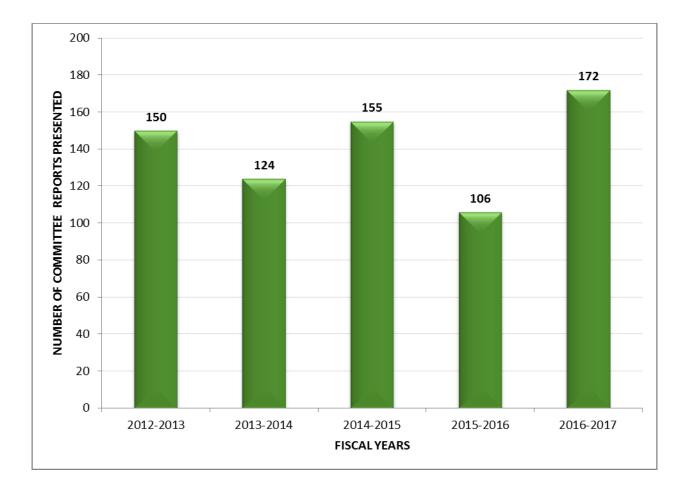
### FIGURE 5 – COMPARISON OF THE NUMBER OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS OVER THE LAST FIVE FISCAL YEARS (ALL COMMITTEES)



#### COMMITTEE REPORTS FOR THE LAST FIVE FISCAL YEARS

ТҮРЕ	NUMBER OF REPORTS								
	2012–2013	2013–2014	2014–2015	2015–2016	2016–2017				
Standing	149	123	155	105	169				
Legislative	-	-	-	-	-				
Special	1	1	-	-	3				
Special Joint	-	-	-	1	-				
TOTAL	150	124	155	106	172				

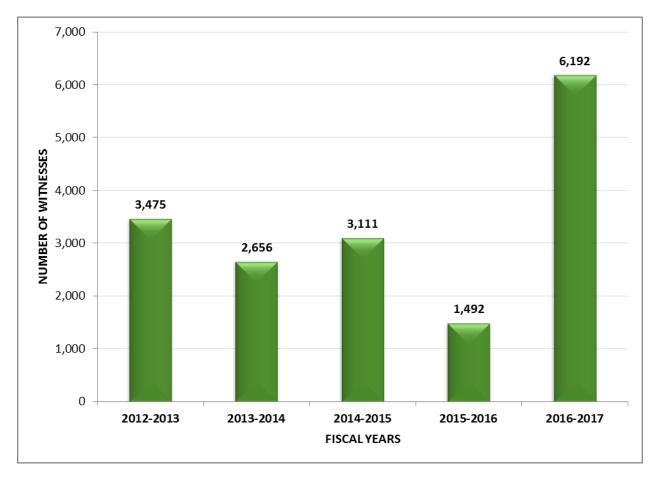
#### FIGURE 6 – COMPARISON OF THE NUMBER OF COMMITTEE REPORTS OVER THE LAST FIVE YEARS



ТҮРЕ	NUMBER OF WITNESSES								
	2012–2013	2013–2014	2014–2015	2015–2016	2016–2017				
Standing	3,414	2,594	3,111	1,429	5,381				
Legislative	-	-	-	-	-				
Special	61	62	-	2	811				
Special Joint	-	-	-	61	-				
TOTAL	3,475	2,656	3,111	1,492	6,192				

#### COMMITTEE WITNESSES FOR THE LAST FIVE FISCAL YEARS

#### FIGURE 7 – COMPARISON OF THE NUMBER OF WITNESSES OVER THE LAST FIVE YEARS



#### COMMITTEE MEETINGS BY TYPE OF ORDER OF REFERENCE FOR THE LAST FIVE YEARS

\*The following table is for all committees. Meetings where more than one order of reference is considered are tabulated as a meeting for each type. Consequently, the total number of meetings by type may be greater than the total number of meetings held.

		NUMBER C	OF MEETING	GS BY ТҮРЕ		% OF MEETINGS BY TYPE				
REFERENCE TYPE	12/13	13/14	14/15	15/16	16/17	12/13	13/14	14/15	15/16	16/17
House Orders of Reference	28	57	53	21	106	1.8	4.8	5.6	3	5.2
Standing Orders 108 (2), (3) & (4)	706	435	505	287	1,033	44.7	36.6	41.5	41.2	50.6
Reports and Returns	23	35	6	2	27	1.5	2.9	0.5	0.3	1.3
Estimates	60	61	44	53	68	3.8	5.1	3.5	7.6	3.3
Order-in-Council Appointments	3	3	8	3	2	0.2	0.3	0.8	0.4	0.1
Legislation	174	115	175	43	109	11.0	9.7	16.5	6.2	5.3
Pre-budget Consultations	14	9	14	11	19	0.9	0.8	1.7	1.6	0.9
Order Paper Written Questions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Responses to Petitions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Committee Business	527	408	353	223	666	33.3	34.3	28.9	32	32.6
Election of Chairs	46	66	13	54	12	2.9	5.6	1.2	7.7	0.6
Others	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL*	1,581	1,189	1,171	697	2,042	100	100	100	100	100

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS BY TYPE OF ORDER OF REFERENCE FOR THE LAST FIVE YEARS

		NUMBER O	F REPORT	S ВҮ ТҮРЕ		% OF REPORTS BY TYPE				
REFERENCE TYPE	12/13	13/14	14/15	15/16	16/17	12/13	13/14	14/15	15/16	16/17
House Orders of Reference	5	4	10	4	6	3.3	3.2	15.2	3.7	3.5
Standing Orders 108 (2), (3) & (4)	52	34	46	41	77	34.7	27.4	26.1	38.3	44.8
Reports and Returns	7	9	2	-	3	4.7	7.3	0.9	-	1.7
Estimates	32	27	36	35	38	21.3	21.8	15.8	32.7	22.1
Order-in-Council Appointments	2	3	8	-	-	1.3	2.4	4.4	-	-
Legislation	38	32	43	18	35	25.3	25.8	25.4	16.8	20.3
Pre-budget Consultations	1	1	1	2	1	0.7	0.8	0.6	1.9	0.6
Order Paper Written Questions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Responses to Petitions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Committee Business	1	3	3	2	3	0.7	2.4	0.9	1.9	1.7
Striking of Committee Membership	11	11	6	5	9	8.0	8.9	10.7	4.7	5.2
Others	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL*	150	124	155	107	172	100	100	100	100	100

A copy of the relevant *Minutes of Proceedings* (<u>Meeting No. 6</u>) is tabled.

Respectfully submitted,

Hon. Judy A. Sgro Chair