

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY, May 10, 1956.

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The Standing Committee on Public Accounts met this day at 11 o'clock. Mr. Charles A. Cannon, Chairman, presided.

Members present: Messrs. Anderson, Applewhaite, Ashbourne, Cameron (*High Park*), Cavers, Harkness, Henderson, Hollingworth, Holowach, Leduc (*Jacques Cartier-Lasalle*), Menard, Mitchell (*Sudbury*), Monteith, Pommer, Poulin, Schneider, Thomas and Weaver. (19)

In attendance: Mr. R. G. Robertson, Deputy Minister; Mr. F. J. G. Cunningham, Director, Northern Administration and Lands Branch; Mr. F. A. G. Carter, Administrative Officer; Mr. M. A. Packwood, Supplies and Shipping, Department of Northern Affairs and National Resources.

The Committee resumed its examination of the Public Accounts (1955), particularly paragraphs 34 and 45 of the Auditor General's Report thereon, dealing with the Department of Northern Affairs and National Resources. Mr. Robertson was called and made a statement on the above-mentioned paragraphs and was questioned.

The Chairman expressed to Mr. Robertson and his officials the appreciation of the Committee.

Mr. Robertson was retired.

On motion of Mr. Cavers, seconded by Mr. Schneider,

Resolved,—That a recommendation be made to the House to reduce the quorum from 15 to 12 members.

Before adjournment, the Chairman asked those members of the Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure present to kindly remain for a short meeting.

At 12.15 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Antonio Plouffe,
Assistant Chief Clerk of the Committee.