

Un exemplaire des Procès-verbaux et témoignages pertinents (fascicules n^{os} 16 à 23, 37 à 39, 42 à 44, 49, 52 et 53 qui comprend le présent rapport) est déposé.

Respectueusement soumis,

Le président,

CHARLES LANGLOIS

The Committee's report is a milestone in the history of the House of Commons. It is the first time that a committee has been asked to report on its own work. Even after the initial decision had been taken, the Committee recognized that the issue would have to be reviewed after a period of experience, noting that only then would problems or difficulties be apparent. It was, therefore, recommended that "the question of the broadcasting of committees of the House of Commons, and the respective guidelines contained in this report, should be reviewed by the Standing Committee on House Management after six months of experience with such broadcasting."

In accordance with this recommendation, it is now appropriate for us to review the experience of the broadcasting of committee proceedings. Moreover, as we are reaching the end of the Thirty-fourth Parliament, we believe that it would be useful to chart the future of such broadcasting.

We have concluded that the broadcasting of committee proceedings has been very successful. Our impression is that Members are very pleased with the experiment, and that the Canadian public enjoys the opportunity to see parliamentary committees work. Many Members have had people come up to them and comment on seeing them engaged in collective work. The coverage of committee work is a positive and useful part of the Question Period. People actually go to see Members working in a sensible, reasonable, rational way that they can identify with.

There appear to have been virtually no complaints from Parliamentarians or members of the public regarding the broadcasting of proceedings. In fact, our own experience has been very favourable, with the only complaint being that of lack of access to the cable channel. I strongly encourage the House to continue with this experiment.

Finally, it is worth noting that the experiment has been very successful, but it is not the only way to improve the House's work. The experiment contains a number of lessons that should be learned. The experiment contains a number of lessons that should be learned. The experiment contains a number of lessons that should be learned.

The report of the Committee represents the point at which the House has decided to do so. It is a decision that will be reviewed after a period of experience, noting that only then would problems or difficulties be apparent. It was, therefore, recommended that "the question of the broadcasting of committees of the House of Commons, and the respective guidelines contained in this report, should be reviewed by the Standing Committee on House Management after six months of experience with such broadcasting."

Conformément à cette recommandation, il est maintenant approprié pour nous de revoir l'expérience de la diffusion des délibérations des comités. De plus, comme nous sommes à la fin de la législature actuelle, nous croyons qu'il conviendrait de tracer la route à suivre dans ce domaine.

Nous en sommes convaincus que l'expérience de la diffusion des délibérations des comités a été très réussie. Notre impression est que les députés sont très satisfaits de l'expérience, et que le public canadien apprécie l'opportunité de voir les comités parlementaires travailler. Beaucoup de députés ont eu des gens qui viennent leur parler et commentent sur le fait de les voir travailler ensemble. La couverture des travaux des comités est une partie positive et utile de la période des questions. Les gens vont voir les députés travailler d'une manière sensée, raisonnable, rationnelle, de manière que les gens puissent s'identifier avec.

Il n'y a eu pratiquement aucune plainte de la part des députés ou des membres du public concernant la diffusion des délibérations. En fait, notre propre expérience a été très favorable, la seule plainte ayant été celle de l'accès au câble. Je encourage fortement la Chambre à poursuivre cette expérience.

Enfin, il est intéressant de noter que l'expérience a été très réussie, mais ce n'est pas la seule façon d'améliorer le travail de la Chambre. L'expérience contient un certain nombre de leçons qui doivent être apprises. L'expérience contient un certain nombre de leçons qui doivent être apprises.