

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

FRIDAY, December 6, 1957.

The Standing Committee on External Affairs met at 10.05 a.m. this day. The Chairman, Mr. H. O. White, presided.

Members present: Messrs. Argue, Best, Cardin, Coldwell, Fairfield, Haidasz, Herridge, Holowach, Knowles (*Winnipeg North Centre*), Kucherepa, Low, Macnaughton, Macquarrie, Montgomery, McCleave, Patterson, Pearson, White. —(18).

In attendance: Messrs. Jules Leger, Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs; W. D. Matthews, Associate Under-Secretary; H. F. Clark, Director, Finance Division; M. Grant, Director, Supplies and Properties Division; W. T. Delworth, Executive Assistant to the Secretary of State for External Affairs.

The Chairman in calling the meeting to order observed that Item 94 of the Department's Main Estimates was still before the Committee.

Mr. Leger, the Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs, distributed to members of the Committee copies of a prepared statement outlining the operations of the Department.

Mr. Leger was questioned by members of the Committee.

The Chairman announced that at the next meeting to be held Tuesday, December 10, Item 94 would be allowed to stand and that Item 114—Colombo Plan, would be called. Mr. R. G. Nik Cavell, Administrator of the International Economic and Technical Co-operation Division of the Department of Trade and Commerce, will be in attendance.

A document entitled "Department of External Affairs Main Estimates 1957-58—Informational Material" as amended to reflect changes proposed by the Secretary of State for External Affairs was filed with the Committee.

At 11.00 a.m., Mr. Leger's questioning continuing, the Committee adjourned to meet again at 11.00 a.m., Tuesday, December 10, 1957.

J. E. O'Connor,
Clerk of the Committee.