

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY, September 9, 1987
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The Special Joint Committee on the 1987 Constitutional Accord met *in camera* this day at 12:30 o'clock p.m., in Room 356-S of the Centre Block, the Honourable Arthur Tremblay, Senator, and Chris Speyer presiding.

Representing the Senate: The Honourable Senators Philippe D. Gigantès, Nathan Nurgitz, Raymond J. Perrault, Yvette Rousseau, Arthur Tremblay.

Representing the House of Commons: Suzanne Blais-Grenier, Albert Cooper, David Daubney, Leo Duguay, Charles Hamelin, Pauline Jewett, Robert Kaplan, Lorne Nystrom, Lawrence O'Neil, André Ouellet, Chris Speyer.

In attendance: *From the Library of Parliament:* Bruce Carson and Jacques Rousseau, Researchers. *From McCarthy and McCarthy:* Ian Binnie, Q.C., Mark Freiman and Eric Gertner, Legal Counsels.

The Committee resumed consideration of its Order of Reference from the Senate dated June 17, 1987 and its Order of Reference from the House of Commons dated June 16, 1987, both relating to the document entitled "1987 Constitutional Accord signed in Ottawa on June 3, 1987 by the First Ministers of Canada" copies of which were tabled in the Senate and the House of Commons on June 3, 1987. (*See Minutes of Proceedings, Tuesday, August 4, 1987, Issue No. 2*)

The Committee proceeded to the consideration of a draft report.

At 2:50 o'clock p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 4:40 o'clock p.m., the sitting resumed.

The Committee resumed consideration of a draft report.

It was agreed, -That the Draft Report of the Special Joint Committee on the 1987 Constitutional Accord be adopted as the Committee's Report to Parliament and that the Joint Chairmen be instructed to present it to both Houses on Monday, September 14, 1987.

It was agreed, -That all Members wishing to sign the Report of the Special Joint Committee on the 1987 Constitutional Accord may do so before 12 o'clock p.m., on Thursday, September 10, 1987.

On motion of David Daubney, it was agreed, -That the Committee be authorized to print an additional 4,450 copies of Issue 17, which includes the Report, thereby making available a total number of 5,000 copies.