

Terms of Reference

On Tuesday, March 18, 1969, the Senate of Canada constituted the Special Senate Committee on Mass Media by approving the following resolution:

That a Special Committee of the Senate be appointed to consider and report upon the ownership and control of the major means of mass public communication in Canada, and in particular, and without restricting the generality of the foregoing, to examine and report upon the extent and nature of their impact and influence on the Canadian public;

That the Committee have power to engage the services of such counsel and technical, clerical and other personnel as may be necessary for the purpose of the inquiry; and

That the Committee have power to send for persons, papers and records, to examine witnesses, to report from time to time and to print such papers and evidence from day to day as may be ordered by the Committee.

The Committee was reconstituted by the Senate during the second and third sessions of the 28th Parliament on October 29, 1969 and October 8, 1970.