

The Standing Committee on Finance and Economic Affairs met at its regular 10:24 a.m. session this day, in Room 233-D (Centre Block), the Chairman, Don Blenkarn, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Bill Attewell, Don Blenkarn, Michael Cassidy, Murray Dorin, Raymond Garneau, Aldeen Nicholson and Norman Warner.

Acting Members present: Reginald Stackhouse for Geoff Wilson and Marcel Tremblay (Québec East) for the Honorable Robert E.J. Layton.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Laurent Desbois and Terrence J. Thomas, Research Officers.

The Committee resumed consideration of its Order of Reference under Standing Order 96(2) in relation to the present interest rate charged by the issuers of credit and charge cards. (See *Minutes of Proceedings and Evidence, Wednesday, November 26, 1986, Issue No. 26*.)

The Committee resumed consideration of the Draft Report to the House.

It was agreed.—That the Draft Report, as amended, be concurred in.

ORDERED.—That the Chairman present to the House the Draft Report, as amended, as the Committee's Fifth Report to the House.

It was agreed.—That the background paper *Interest Rates and Credit Cards* (15 October 1986), prepared by Laurent Desbois and Terrence J. Thomas, Research Officers from the Library of Parliament, be appended to the printed version of the Committee's Fifth Report to the House.

At 11:51 o'clock a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Marie Carrière
Clerk of the Committee