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● (0905)

[English]

Ms. Michelle Tittley (Procedural Clerk): Honourable members of the committee, I see a quorum. We can now proceed to the election of the chair.

Pursuant to Standing Order 106(2), the chair must be a member of the official opposition. I am ready to receive motions to that effect.

Mr. Bill Siksay (Burnaby—Douglas, NDP): Madam Chair, I'd like to nominate Mr. Szabo.

Ms. Michelle Tittley: It has been moved by Mr. Siksay that Mr. Szabo be elected chair of the committee. Are there any further motions?

Is it the pleasure of the committee to adopt the motion?

(Motion agreed to)

Ms. Michelle Tittley: I declare Mr. Szabo duly elected chair of the committee.

Some hon. members: Hear, hear!

Ms. Michelle Tittley: Before inviting Mr. Szabo to take the chair, we will proceed to the election of the vice-chairs.

[Translation]

I am now ready to receive motions for the position of first vice-chair.

[English]

Pursuant to Standing Order 106(2), the first vice-chair must be a member of the government.

Mr. Pierre Poilievre (Nepean—Carleton, CPC): I would like to nominate Patricia Davidson.

Ms. Michelle Tittley: It has been moved by Mr. Poilievre that Ms. Davidson be elected as first vice-chair of the committee. Are there any further motions?

Is it the pleasure of the committee to adopt the motion?

(Motion agreed to)

Ms. Michelle Tittley: I declare Ms. Davidson duly elected first vice-chair of the committee.

Some hon. members: Hear, hear!

Ms. Michelle Tittley: I am now prepared to receive motions for second vice-chair.

Pursuant to Standing Order 106(2), the second vice-chair must be a member of an official opposition party other than the official opposition.

[Translation]

Mrs. Carole Freeman (Châteauguay—Saint-Constant, BQ): I would like to nominate Mr. Bill Siksay.

Ms. Michelle Tittley: Mrs. Freeman moves that Mr. Siksay be elected second vice-chair of the committee.

● (0910)

[English]

Are there any further motions?

Is it the pleasure of the committee to adopt the motion?

(Motion agreed to)

Ms. Michelle Tittley: I declare Mr. Siksay duly elected second vice-chair of the committee.

Some hon. members: Hear, hear!

Ms. Michelle Tittley: I now invite Mr. Szabo to take the chair.

The Chair (Mr. Paul Szabo (Mississauga South, Lib.)): Thank you very much.

Colleagues, our clerk, Mr. Jacques Maziade, is ill today and unable to be with us. I did receive a message from him this morning, and he will be taking care of some arrangements for us.

It has been suggested, and I think it would be advisable, that there be a steering committee meeting on Thursday. Notice will be given so we can calendarize all ongoing business and provide the committee with an annual chart to show what blocks of time are available. We'll also slot in things like the review of estimates and normal annual report work, any boilerplate work, so we have a good idea of what time is available. Notice will be given, and members will all be given, in advance of our meeting a week from today, a report of the work done by the steering committee on that Thursday.

Having said that, there being no further business, the meeting is now adjourned.

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