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[English]

**The Clerk of the Committee (Mr. Patrick Williams):** If members are ready to begin, we can proceed to the election of the chair.

[Translation]

In accordance with the committee's routine motion concerning connection tests for witnesses, I am informing the subcommittee that all witnesses have completed the required connection tests in advance of the meeting.

I must also inform members that the clerk of the committee can only receive motions for the election of the chair. The clerk cannot receive other types of motions, cannot entertain points of order, nor participate in debate.

[English]

Pursuant to the routine motion of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs adopted on Monday, December 13, 2021, the chair must be a member of the government party. I am now ready to receive motions for the position of chair.

Go ahead, Mr. Genuis.

**Mr. Garnett Genuis (Sherwood Park—Fort Saskatchewan, CPC):** I am pleased to nominate Fayçal El-Khoury to be the chair of the committee.

**The Clerk:** It has been moved by Mr. Genuis that Mr. El-Khoury be elected as chair of the committee. Are there any further motions?

Seeing none, is it the pleasure of the committee to adopt the motion?

(Motion agreed to)

**The Clerk:** I declare the motion carried and Mr. El-Khoury duly elected as chair of the committee.

**Some hon. members:** Hear, hear!

**The Chair (Mr. Fayçal El-Khoury (Laval—Les Îles, Lib.)):** I would like to thank all members of this committee for their confidence. I assure you I will do my best in order to serve the committee and all Canadians.

Now I would ask for a motion to nominate the vice-chair.

Go ahead, Ms. Damoff.

**Ms. Pam Damoff (Oakville North—Burlington, Lib.):** I'm pleased to nominate Garnett Genuis as vice-chair of the committee.

**The Chair:** Madam Damoff moved a motion to elect Mr. Garnett Genuis as vice-chair.

Is there any other motion on the floor?

There is no other motion. I believe the committee has heard the motion. Is it the pleasure of the committee to adopt the motion electing Mr. Genuis as vice-chair?

(Motion agreed to)

**The Chair:** I declare Mr. Genuis a vice-chair of this committee.

Congratulations, Mr. Genuis.

**Some hon. members:** Hear, hear!

**Mr. Garnett Genuis:** I wasn't even asked if I accepted the nomination, but I will. Thank you very much. I'm looking forward to working with you, Chair.

**The Chair:** I believe the clerk has distributed the agenda of our work to all members of this committee.

I would like to hear your opinions. If everything is okay, we'll proceed with it as it is. If there are modifications or any other things, we could do that, but I prefer, for the time being, to suspend this meeting and wait for the next meeting to discuss the agenda.

The meeting is suspended so we can go in camera.

[Proceedings continue in camera]





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