

## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 8

Wednesday, May 31, 2006

The Standing Committee on Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development met at 3:30 p.m. this day, in Room 705, La Promenade Building, the Chair, Colin Mayes, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Harold Albrecht, Steven Blaney, Rod Bruinooge, Jean Crowder, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Marc Lemay, Yvon Lévesque and Colin Mayes.

*Acting Members present:* Hon. Carolyn Bennett for Todd Norman Russell, Tina Keeper for Gary Merasty and Roger Valley for Hon. Anita Neville.

*In attendance: Library of Parliament:* Mary Hurley, Analyst; Marlisa Tiedemann, Analyst.

*Appearing:* Hon. Jim Prentice, Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development.

*Witnesses: Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development :* Michael Wernick, Deputy Minister; Caroline Davis, Assistant Deputy Minister, Corporate Services; Paul LeBlanc, Senior Assistant Deputy Minister, Socio-economic Policy and Regional Operations Sector.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee commenced its study on Ministerial Priorities.

The Minister made an opening statement and answered questions.

At 5:26 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Roger Préfontaine  
Clerk of the Committee

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