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Use of Indigenous Languages in Proceedings of the House of Commons and Committees

On November 29 2018, the House concurred in the [66th Report](#) of the Standing Committee on Procedure and House Affairs, entitled “The Use of Indigenous Languages in Proceedings of the House of Commons and Committees.”

The report recommends that the use of Indigenous languages be recognized in the House of Commons and specifies a process for facilitating such interventions. Simultaneous interpretation services will be made available for Members who intend to speak in an Indigenous language during any proceedings in the House or in committees. Members must inform the Clerk of the House of the Indigenous language to be used and provide reasonable notice to the Clerk as to when they will make an intervention in that language. These notices will permit the House Administration and the Translation Bureau to secure the required interpretation services, if possible, and translation services in a timely manner.

For more information on the use of Indigenous languages in the Chamber or in committees, please consult the [66th Report](#) of the Standing Committee on Procedure and House Affairs.

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