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**Mr. Leon Benoit**



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[*English*]

**The Clerk of the Committee (Mr. Andrew Lauzon):** Honourable members of the committee, I see a quorum.

[*Translation*]

So we can now proceed with the election of the chair.

[*English*]

I'm ready to receive motions to that effect.

Mr. Anderson.

**Mr. David Anderson (Cypress Hills—Grasslands, CPC):** I will make a motion with the same enthusiasm as the committee has shown previously, that we nominate Leon Benoit to the position of chair.

**The Clerk:** It has been moved by David Anderson that Leon Benoit be elected as chair of the committee.

Are there further motions?

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

(Motion agreed to)

**The Clerk:** I declare the motion carried and Leon Benoit duly elected chair of the committee.

[*Translation*]

Before I invite Mr. Benoit to take the chair, if the committee wishes, we can now move to the election of the vice-chairs.

[*English*]

I'm now prepared to receive motions for first vice-chair, who is going to be a member of the official opposition.

Mr. Allen.

**Mr. Mike Allen (Tobique—Mactaquac, CPC):** I move the nomination of Alan Tonks.

**The Clerk:** It has been moved by Mike Allen that Alan Tonks be elected first vice-chair of the committee.

Are there further motions?

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

(Motion agreed to)

**The Clerk:** I declare the motion carried and Mr. Tonks duly elected as first vice-chair of the committee.

[*Translation*]

I am now ready to receive nominations for the position of second vice-chair, from an opposition party other than the official opposition.

Ms. Brunelle.

**Ms. Paule Brunelle (Trois-Rivières, BQ):** Yes, I nominate Nathan Cullen.

**The Clerk:** Moved by Ms. Brunelle that Nathan Cullen be elected second vice-chair of the committee.

Are there any further motions?

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

(Motion agreed to)

**The Clerk:** I declare the motion carried and Nathan Cullen duly elected second vice-chair of the committee.

I now invite Mr. Benoit to take his place in the chair.

[*English*]

**The Chair (Mr. Leon Benoit (Vegreville—Wainwright, CPC)):** Thank you all very much, especially the colleagues from our party for their very enthusiastic support. Thank you all.

Congratulations go to the vice-chairs and a welcome to the new members of the committee. We're certainly looking forward to working together on some very interesting studies.

We do a lot of good work at this committee, I can say. It's not as partisan a committee as some of the others, and that's good. It leads to more productivity.

That is all we have on the agenda for today. On Thursday, we can come back to deal with the future business of the committee. We have some motions dealing with that already. We'll have the clerk send out the information on what we'd agreed to before the break, and it's up to the members to decide whether they want to carry on with some of that or not.

So we'll come back on Thursday and deal with future business.

Thank you all again very much.

The meeting is adjourned.







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