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• (1530)

[*Translation*]

Ms. Michelle Tittley (Procedural Clerk): Ladies and gentlemen, members of the committee,

[*English*]

I see a quorum. We can now proceed to the election of the chair.

[*Translation*]

I am ready to receive motions to elect a chair.

[*English*]

Mr. Silva.

Mr. Mario Silva (Davenport, Lib.): I'd like to nominate Scott Reid for chair.

Ms. Michelle Tittley: It has been moved by Mr. Silva that Mr. Reid be elected chair of the committee.

[*Translation*]

Are there any other motions?

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

(Motion agreed to)

Ms. Michelle Tittley: I declare the motion carried and Mr. Reid duly elected chair of the committee.

[*English*]

Before inviting Mr. Reid to take the chair, we will proceed with the election of vice-chairs.

I'm now prepared to receive motions for the position of first vice-chair.

Mr. Sweet.

Mr. David Sweet (Ancaster—Dundas—Flamborough—Westdale, CPC): I nominate Mario Silva.

Ms. Michelle Tittley: It has been moved by Mr. Sweet that Mr. Silva be elected first vice-chair of the committee.

[*Translation*]

Are there any other motions?

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

[*English*]

(Motion agreed to)

Ms. Michelle Tittley: I declare the motion carried and Mr. Silva duly elected first vice-chair of the committee.

I'm now ready to receive motions for the position of second vice-chair.

Mr. Silva.

Mr. Mario Silva: I nominate Monsieur Jean Dorion.

[*Translation*]

Mme Michelle Tittley: Moved by Mr. Silva that Mr. Dorion be elected second vice-chair of the committee.

Are there any other motions?

[*English*]

(Motion agreed to)

Ms. Michelle Tittley: I declare the motion carried and Mr. Dorion duly elected second vice-chair of the committee.

I now invite Mr. Reid to take the chair.

The Chair (Mr. Scott Reid (Lanark—Frontenac—Lennox and Addington, CPC)): Let's start.

[*Translation*]

Good afternoon; welcome to another session and to this meeting of our subcommittee.

[*English*]

I've been given a little statement to start with. This relates to our rules of order. I have only the English version here. Anyway, we'll assume there's a French version out there as well. I hope so.

Here we go. On Wednesday, March 3, 2010, the House of Commons adopted the following order:

That, for all standing committees, routine motions in effect at the time of prorogation of the previous session be deemed to have been adopted in the current session, provided that committees be empowered to alter or rescind such motions as they deem appropriate.

Since you all sit on committees, you've dealt with this in your committees. I'll go on. This motion does not apply to subcommittees such as this one. However, at our organizational meeting in the second session of the 40th Parliament, the subcommittee chose to readopt the routine motions we had in the previous session.

If the subcommittee so chooses, we can do so over again. The clerk has distributed copies of the routine motions we had last time around. If someone wants to readopt them or wants something different, now is the time to speak.

Mr. Silva, please.

• (1535)

Mr. Mario Silva: I move for readoption.

The Chair: You move for readoption of the motions as is.

Mr. Mario Silva: Yes.

(Motion agreed to)

The Chair: Okay, that's done.

Now, if we want to move and continue on with some business, I recommend that we go in camera. Are people agreeable to doing that?

An hon. member: We are in camera.

The Chair: No, we're in public, actually.

An hon. member: Oh, okay.

The Chair: I had to ask, too.

An hon. member: Let's go in camera.

The Chair: Okay, good.

[*Proceedings continue in camera*]



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