## STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS October 29, 1987

## MINUTE NO. 16

October 29, 1987 at 8:30 a.m.

- 1. PRESENT: Mr. Tchorzewski in the Chair, and Members Martin, Martens, Muirhead, Muller, Neudorf, Rolfes
- 2. The following document was tabled in Committee:

PAC 29/86-87 — Tourism, Small Business and Co-operatives — information requested by the Public Accounts Committee at its September 29 meeting.

- 3. The Committee considered the draft report.
- 4. Mr. Neudorf proposed that the following be added to the Report:

The Committee considered the need for obtaining the Hopkins Report on Summary Financial Statements and on consideration it was decided that it exceeded the Committee's mandate but the Committee agreed to discuss the Provincial Auditor's recommendations regarding Summary Financial Statements.

An amendment was proposed to make the statement read as follows:

The Committee considered the need for obtaining the Hopkins Report on Summary Financial Statements. The Committee was informed that the document was a policy paper. The Committee agreed to discuss further the Provincial Auditor's recommendations regarding Summary Financial Statements.

The Committee agreed to include the amended proposal in the report.

- 5. The Committee agreed to add the following resolution from Minutes No. 9 of October 1, 1987 to the report:
  - (2) Resolved, That the Public Accounts Committee recognizes the necessity for the Auditor to be accountable to the Legislative Assembly;

The Public Accounts Committee recognizes the necessity for the independence of the Auditor in relation to the Executive Branch of Government;

The Public Accounts Committee recognizes the importance of the Auditor to freely express his opinion on the financial records of the Executive Branch of Government;

We therefore move that we acknowledge the opinions rendered and proceed to the itemized agenda as presented by the Chairman or as reviewed and amended by the Committee.

Accordingly the Committee acknowledged the opinions rendered and proceeded to other business.

- 6. The Committee considered the recommendation in the draft report respecting the tabling of the Public Accounts and agreed to include it as proposed in the Committee's Report.
- 7. The Committee agreed to meet briefly at the call of the Chair to approve the amended report.
- 8. The Committee adjourned at 9:10 a.m. to the call of the Chair.

## PRIORITY LIST OF DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES TO BE CALLED

Justice (1984-85 and 1985-86) Agricultural Credit Corporation (1985-86) Agriculture (1985-86) Consumer and Commercial Affairs (1985-86) Health (1985-86) Social Services (1985-86) Supply & Services (Saskatchewan Property Management Corporation) (1985-86) Westank Industries — SEDCO (1985-86) Saskatchewan Power Corporation (1985-86) Economic Development and Trade (1985-86) Saskatchewan Crop Insurance (1985-86)

## HEARINGS CONCLUDED

Crown Management Board Education (1985-86) including Advanced Education and Manpower (1984-85 and 1985-86) Finance (1984-85 and 1985-86) including Revenue and Finance Services (1985-86) and Municipal Employee's Superannuation Commission (1985-86) Indian & Native Affairs Secretariat (1984-85 and 1985-86) Saskatchewan Forest Products (1984-85) Saskatchewan Housing Corporation (1985-86) Tourism and Small Business (1984-85)