STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS April 14, 1988

MINUTE NO. 1

April 14, 1988 at 11:00 a.m.

1. PRESENT: Members Van Mulligen, Anguish, Martens, Martin, Muller, Neudorf, Prebble, Rolfes

Officials

Provincial Auditor's Office

W. Lutz, Provincial Auditor G. Wendel, Assistant Provincial Auditor

Comptroller's Office

G. Kraus, Provincial Comptroller T. Paton, A/Director, Financial Management Branch C. Bayda, Analyst, Financial Services

- 2. Mr. Van Mulligen was elected Chairman.
- 3. The following documents relating to the work of the Committee for last session were tabled:

PAC 47/86-87-88 — Department of Consumer and Commercial Affairs — response to request at the Committee's meeting on February 2, 1988

PAC 48/86-87-88 — Saskatchewan Supply & Services — additional information requested at the February 3, 1988 hearing for Supply and Services

PAC 49/86-87-88 — Department of Economic Development and Trade — response to information requested at the February 4, 1988 hearing

PAC 50/86-87-88 — Department of Justice — response to information requested at the February 2, 1988 hearing

PAC 51/86-87-88 — Department of Social Services — response to information requested at the February 4, 1988 hearing

4. The following documents were tabled:

PAC 1/88-89 — Exposure draft — CICA Public Sector Accounting and Auditing Committee Proposed Accounting Recommendations

PAC 2/88-89 — Introduction to the Public Sector Accounting and Auditing Committee of the Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants

PAC 3/88-89 — Public Sector Auditing Statement 4, Value-For-Money Auditing Standards

PAC 4/88-89 — Draft Second Report of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts

5. The Committee considered the draft of the Second Report which was tabled as PAC 4/88-89.

It was moved by Mr. Muller:

That the draft report be approved and that the report be tabled in the Assembly at the next convenient time.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to.

- 6. The Committee considered the times of meetings of the Committee for this session. The Committee agreed that the regular meetings of the Committee would be on Tuesday and Thursday from 9:00-11:30 a.m.
- 7. It was moved by Mr. Martin:

That the Chairman and Vice Chairman attend on behalf of the Committee, the 10th Annual Meeting of the Canadian Council of Public Accounts Committee to be held in Halifax, Nova Scotia from July 10-13, 1988 and if either Member was unable to attend he would designate another Member of the Committee to attend in his place.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to.

- 8. The Committee considered the effects on the Committee of the probable lateness of the tabling of the Provincial Auditor's Report for the year ended March 31, 1987.
- 9. The Committee agreed that the Chairman and Vice Chairman would meet with the Minister of Finance to request provision of sufficient extra funding for the Office of the Provincial Auditor to enable the Auditor to put in place the resources required to catch up on the work of the office so that the Auditor's Report may be tabled at the usual time of year in the future.
- 10. The Committee adjourned at 12:10 p.m. to the call of the Chair.