## STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS February 10, 1989

## MINUTE NO. 10

February 10, 1989 at 9:00 a.m.

 PRESENT: Mr. Van Mulligen in the Chair and Members Anguish, Hopfner, Lingenfelter, Martens, Martin, Muller, Neudorf and Prebble

## **Officials**

Provincial Auditor's Department

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

Comptroller's Office

- G. Kraus, Provincial Comptroller
- 2. Mr. Lutz, Provincial Auditor was given leave to make a statement which was tabled as:

PAC 35/88-89 — Statement by Provincial Auditor re: Recent Newspaper Reports

3. It was moved by Mr. Hopfner:

That the Committee accepts the apology of the Auditor.

The question being put, it was agreed to nemine contradicente

4. It was moved by Mr. Neudorf:

That the Committee meet in camera.

The question being put, it was agreed to *nemine contradicente* 

5. It was moved by Mr. Prebble:

That no transcript be made of these *in camera* meetings.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

- 6. The Committee accordingly met in camera.
- 7. Resolved, That the Committee resume meeting in public. (*Mr. Prebble*)
- 8. Mr. Neudorf requested leave to withdraw his adjourned motion as follows:

That this Committee immediately proceed to hearings on the mandate of the Public Accounts Committee, and further that during the next session of the Legislative Assembly recommendations on the mandate and operation of the PAC be presented to the Assembly.

Leave having been granted, the motion was withdrawn.

9. It was moved by Mr. Neudorf and seconded by Mr. Hopfner:

That the Committee agree to the following operating procedures:

- 1. Political partisan discussion is to be excluded from the questioning of the witnesses.
- 2. Subsequent to questioning the witnesses, there will be a motion to deal with concluding the hearing of that department subject to recall.
- 3. Political partisan debate may occur only after the above motion is presented.
- 4. Role of Chairperson: The Chairperson is to move out of the Chair to make any partisan, political statements on the motion.
- 5. The PAC will call departmental witnesses for the 1986-87 Public Accounts beginning on the 14th of March, 1989 and will meet regularly thereafter on Tuesdays and Thursdays beginning at 8:30 a.m.
- 6. The agenda for the hearings will be determined by the Chairman and Vice Chairman.
- 7. The Committee will provide a recommendation to the Assembly for a mandate review process.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

The Committee adjourned at 12:55 p.m. until Tuesday, March 14, 1989 at 8:30 a.m. in Room 10.

## Agenda:

Departmental hearings on 1986-87 Public Accounts and the Provincial Auditor's Report.