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1 Ottawa, Ontario / Ottawa (Ontario) --- Upon commencing on Thursday, January 22, 2009 2 at 9:31 a.m. / L'audience débute 3 jeudi le 22 janvier 2009 à 9h31 4 5 THE REGISTRAR: All rise. Veuillez vous lever. 6 COMMISSIONER OLIPHANT: 7 Good 8 morning, counsel. Mr. Wolson. --- OPENING REMARKS BY/DÉCLARATION D'OUVERTURE PAR 9 10 MR. WOLSON: 11 MR. WOLSON: Good morning, 12 Mr. Commissioner. This is the second day of scheduling for applications for standing to Part 13 14 2. I can advise you that one of the parties that we are waiting for is Mr. Conacher on behalf of 15 Democracy Watch. He is not here yet. We 16 17 attempted to contact him without success. 18 I can, by way of summary, relate 19 that there were two applications heard yesterday. 20 You granted standing to the Attorney General for 21 Canada, and Mr. Jefford who made a submission on 22 behalf of Jefford Industries Ltd. and Arthur 23 Jefford, you have reserved on his application for 24 standing and funding. We chose to do this process in two 25

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1 days only because two of the applicants were 2 unavailable yesterday and you may wish to ask them 3 why, and that was the reason. It wasn't because we had a huge number of applications, because we 4 haven't. We've only had four to this date. 5 With that said, Mr. Auger is here 6 7 on behalf of Mr. Schreiber -- Mr. Schreiber is also here this morning -- and he's ready to 8 9 proceed. He has advised me that he has a court 10 commitment and will ask you to excuse him at the 11 end of his submission this morning and, with that 12 said, subject to any comments that you have, you 13 may wish to invite Mr. Auger to address you. 14 COMMISSIONER OLIPHANT: Just in 15 the event that Mr. Auger forgets to ask to be excused, he is excused if he has to leave. 16 Ι 17 would hate to see him get in trouble with the 18 judge. --- SUBMISSIONS BY/REPRÉSENTATIONS PAR MR. AUGER: 19 20 MR. AUGER: Thank you very much, 21 Mr. Commissioner. I first of all do want to thank 22 you and your counsel for accommodating my 23 appearance today. I had a trial matter scheduled 24 yesterday in the Ontario Court of Justice that ultimately ended up proceeding actually, and I 25

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1 thank you for accommodating me today. 2 COMMISSIONER OLIPHANT: That's 3 fine. Thank you. 4 MR. AUGER: As a starting point, you have Mr. Schreiber's written application in 5 relation to Part 2 before you. 6 7 COMMISSIONER OLIPHANT: I do. MR. AUGER: And today I don't wish 8 9 to repeat anything that's in that application. I 10 simply want to supplement. 11 COMMISSIONER OLIPHANT: Yes. You 12 can rest assured I've read the materials. 13 MR. AUGER: Thank you very much. 14 COMMISSIONER OLIPHANT: I should 15 say I've read some in a little more detail than 16 others because I got some material from you this morning. I've had a look at it, but I haven't 17 read it to the extent that I read the materials 18 19 filed with the application itself. 20 MR. AUGER: Thank you. Thank you 21 very much. 22 And I think it's clear from the 23 materials, as a starting point, Mr. Schreiber is 24 not applying for funding ---25 COMMISSIONER OLIPHANT: Right.

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1 MR. AUGER: --- in relation to 2 Part 2. This is purely a standing application and I want to start by asking you to consider some 3 general principles in making your decision about 4 standing, and that's why I have offered for your 5 consideration, and I don't propose to spend a lot 6 of time on them, but really two rulings on 7 standings in other public inquiries. 8 9 The first one is Commissioner 10 Gomery's decision in his ruling on standing on 11 July 5<sup>th</sup> of 2004. I don't know if you have a copy 12 before you. 13 COMMISSIONER OLIPHANT: I do. 14 MR. AUGER: But just by way of 15 general principles, it's my submission that, as a starting point, in terms of Mr. Schreiber's 16 17 application for standing for Part 2, it's important to keep in mind some of the general 18 19 principles that Commissioner Gomery outlined on 20 page 2 of his standing decision. And the starting 21 point, in my submission, is that at about the 22 middle of the page on page 2, Commissioner Gomery 23 turns his mind to guiding principles and he says 24 that:

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"I am committed to ensuring

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1 that the Inquiry is both fair 2 and thorough, and in that the 3 course of the Inquiry obtain and consider all relevant 4 information relating to the 5 6 issues identified in the 7 Terms of Reference." COMMISSIONER OLIPHANT: Was this 8 9 ruling in respect of the factual part of Justice 10 Gomery's inquiry or the policy part? 11 MR. AUGER: I believe it was in 12 relation to the factual part. The factual part, as you probably know, was broken down into two 13 14 branches. The second branch related to the source or the tracing of monies. But just by way of 15 general principles, I wanted to offer this for 16 your consideration because it's my submission that 17 18 it would be important to have Mr. Schreiber participate in Part 2, and I do fully appreciate 19 20 that Part 2 is different. It's a policy review by 21 way of expert input and less of a factual inquiry, 22 but I'll deal with that later in my submissions, 23 if I may. 24 And then the other principle that

24 And then the other principle that 25 Commissioner Gomery referred to in his ruling

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1	decision was on page 3, and he talks about the
2	tests that we are dealing with today, just below
3	the middle of the page:
4	"What constitutes a
5	'substantial and direct
6	interest in the subject
7	matter of the Inquiry?'
8	Based upon what has been
9	decided in comparable cases,
10	the interest of the applicant
11	may be the protection of a
12	legal interest in the sense
13	that the outcome of the
14	Inquiry may affect the legal
15	status or property interests
16	of the applicant, or it may
17	be as insubstantial as the
18	applicant's sense of
19	wellbeing or fear of an
20	adverse effect upon his or
21	her reputation. Even if such
22	a fear proves to be
23	unfounded, it may be serious
24	and objectively reasonable
25	enough to warrant party or

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1 intervenor status in the 2 Inquiry." In my submission, those general 3 4 principles are a good starting point because that language that I just took you to is quite broad in 5 nature and ultimately, on page 4, Commissioner 6 7 Gomery concluded by stating that he -- he says on the top of page 4: 8 9 "...leave me with a certain 10 degree of discretion, which 11 must be exercised 12 judiciously." 13 And in my submission, that 14 summarizes quite accurately the nature of the 15 exercise today and that the test to be applied is quite broad, and so with that starting point, I do 16 want to move to Commissioner O'Connor's decision 17 in the Walkerton Inquiry, again just for a couple 18 19 of principles that I'd ask you to consider, and it 20 may be that the Walkerton ruling on standing might 21 be more applicable because, as you can see on the 22 second page of the Walkerton ruling on standing, 23 there's a description of the Part 2 process. 24 COMMISSIONER OLIPHANT: M'hm. 25 MR. AUGER: And as I'm sure you

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1 are aware that, in my submission ---2 COMMISSIONER OLIPHANT: That's 3 shown as page 62. It's obviously an extract of 4 the report. 5 MR. AUGER: That's right. 6 COMMISSIONER OLIPHANT: Yes. 7 MR. AUGER: And when I said page 2, I meant the second ---8 9 COMMISSIONER OLIPHANT: No, I know 10 I just want for the record though --that. 11 MR. AUGER: That's correct. Thank 12 you. 13 COMMISSIONER OLIPHANT: --- it's 14 page 62 in the document you provided. 15 MR. AUGER: Thank you very much. 16 It is an excerpt. 17 COMMISSIONER OLIPHANT: Yes, okay; 18 Part 2. 19 MR. AUGER: And so this too might 20 assist you because the nature of Part 2 in the 21 Walkerton Inquiry, as you can see, includes 22 Commission papers, includes public submissions and 23 public meetings and then, using the page numbers 24 in the top left-hand corner, page 62, Commissioner O'Connor in that decision also refers to general 25

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1 principles for standing. In the first bullet 2 point he too makes the point: 3 "It is essential that the Inquiry be full and complete 4 5 and that I consider all 6 relevant ---" 7 COMMISSIONER OLIPHANT: Where are 8 you at now? 9 MR. AUGER: I'm sorry. 10 COMMISSIONER OLIPHANT: What page 11 are you at? You said page 62. 12 MR. AUGER: I'm sorry; page 66. 13 COMMISSIONER OLIPHANT: Sixty-six (66), okay, thanks. Go ahead, I'm with you. 14 15 MR. AUGER: Which is the sixth 16 piece of paper in. 17 COMMISSIONER OLIPHANT: Yes. 18 MR. AUGER: At the top it says "Principles". 19 20 COMMISSIONER OLIPHANT: Yes, I 21 have it. 22 MR. AUGER: Thank you very much. 23 The first bullet is: 24 "It is essential that the 25 Inquiry be full and complete

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1 and that I consider all 2 relevant information in a 3 variety of perspectives on the issues raised in the 4 Order-in-Council." 5 And again, it's that general 6 7 principle that, in my submission, is important 8 today, that because this Inquiry that you are 9 presiding over is divided into two parts the first 10 part being factual, of course, that you'll hear 11 viva voce evidence and consider documentary 12 evidence. 13 And then we move to Part 2, which 14 is, of course, policy in nature but, in my 15 submission, ultimately you'll be making your own 16 findings of fact and, secondly, you'll ultimately 17 be preparing your own report, which I think now is due to be delivered at the end of December. 18 19 And so in that process, the final 20 report process, it's my submission that in order 21 to have a full, complete and thorough Inquiry on 22 all parts, as a matter of fairness to Mr. 23 Schreiber, he ought to be permitted to participate 24 in making final submissions not only in terms of 25 the factual exercise in Part 1 but to also be able

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1 to participate in final submissions in relation to 2 Part 2. And in order to do that properly, 3 completely, thoroughly and in a meaningful way, it's my submission that he needs to participate in 4 Part 2. 5 The final reference to the 6 Walkerton Standing Decision that I want to ask you 7 to consider -- it might be easier to go to the 8 back of the package and move four pages in from 9 10 the back, which is entitled "Page 96". 11 COMMISSIONER OLIPHANT: I'm there. 12 MR. AUGER: Thank you. 13 And Justice O'Connor summarizes 14 his ruling and refers to general principles. In 15 the middle of the page he says: 16 "I have dealt with standing 17 so as to ensure that all the 18 relevant interests and 19 perspectives are fully 20 represented." 21 And this is what, I submit, is 22 important, Commissioner: 23 "My first criterion has been 24 to ensure the Inquiry is 25 thorough."

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1 I've dealt with that. "When in doubt, I have opted 2 in favour of inclusion. 3 Τn 4 doing so, I recognize that there will be overlapping 5 6 positions and a potential for 7 duplication." 8 So in my submission, that 9 principle of opting in favour of inclusion is 10 important in considering Mr. Schreiber's 11 application for standing on Part 2. 12 And the next point that is 13 important as well, in my submission -- because of 14 course you have to consider efficiency and economy 15 in Part 2 in making your decision on standing --16 given that the number of parties that have 17 standing for Part 1 and, indeed, as we speak now, 18 there's only one party that's been granted standing for Part 2, it's my submission, having 19 20 regard to all of the principles, it would still be 21 efficient and ensure the smooth operation of Part 22 2 to include Mr. Schreiber, given that the number 23 of parties involved is not extensive. 24 I don't propose to take you 25 through all of the ultimate findings in the

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Walkerton Standing Decision, but a number of -- a
 large number of parties were granted standing for
 both Part 1 and 2, having regard to those general
 principles.

Now, dealing with what may be a 5 consideration or a concern of the Commission is 6 the actual participation that Mr. Schreiber, 7 8 through his counsel, may assist in in Part 2, and 9 it's my submission that you'll hear evidence on 10 Part 1 but ultimately, as I've already pointed 11 out, it will be your decision to determine the 12 facts.

You, as an experienced trial judge, know that one party's interpretation of what the facts were in Part 1 may differ from other parties' interpretation of the facts.

17 COMMISSIONER OLIPHANT: I suspect,
18 based on what I know, that that might just happen
19 in this Inquiry.

20 MR. AUGER: Precisely, and so 21 given that, that is at least one area that Mr. 22 Schreiber, through his counsel, can assist in Part 23 2 because if you're going to deal with expert 24 evidence and expert opinion and expert reports, 25 obviously the foundation of those opinions will be

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1 based on an interpretation of facts.

2 Obviously, an interpretation of 3 facts will include, or may include, nuance, argument and debate. It's my submission, in order 4 to be fair to Mr. Schreiber and to ensure a 5 thorough, complete Inquiry as a whole, it would be 6 important that Mr. Schreiber be permitted to make 7 8 submissions throughout Part 2 in terms of 9 interpretation, nuance or the evidence that was 10 heard in Part 1.

11 One major component of Part 2 will 12 study, by way of example, the handling of 13 correspondence in the Prime Minister's Office. Ι 14 anticipate that there will be evidence that Mr. 15 Schreiber delivered correspondence to the Prime Minister's Office, and of course that could 16 17 generate a multitude of guestions by way of fact and by way of policy: What replies, if any, were 18 19 received; how did the recipient receive those 20 replies; were they sufficient? A whole host of 21 questions can arise.

It's my submission that if, on a policy level, experts are dealing with the current status of those procedures, but the underlying foundation is what happened in terms of Mr.

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1 Schreiber's correspondence, that's all subject to 2 debate, interpretation and nuance and, again, by 3 way of example, it may assist you to have Mr. 4 Schreiber participate in that process. 5 COMMISSIONER OLIPHANT: I just want to make sure of something. The application 6 for standing is for full standing with respect to 7 both the ethical issues and those that revolve 8 9 around the handling of correspondence by the Prime 10 Minister's Office or the Privy Council Office? 11 MR. AUGER: Correct. 12 COMMISSIONER OLIPHANT: Okay. 13 MR. AUGER: Correct, and it is my 14 understanding there are those two branches of Part 15 2. . 16 COMMISSIONER OLIPHANT: Yes. 17 And Mr. Schreiber's interest is 18 relative to both? MR. AUGER: Correct. 19 20 The other practical consideration 21 might be that as we stand here today in making 22 this application, we of course don't know any of 23 the facts because you haven't heard any evidence, 24 and it could be foreseeable that you could 25 conclude Part 1 and an issue could arise during INTERNATIONAL REPORTING INC.

1 Part 2, whereby you may want to hear a submission 2 on a fact that wasn't necessarily determined in 3 whole or in part, and it may be that you could be assisted by Mr. Schreiber's counsel for that 4 reason, in Part 2, as a practical matter. 5 6 And just by way of conclusion, again, to the extent that there's going to be 7 8 factual findings in your final report and 9 recommendations to assist the public going 10 forward, it's my submission that Mr. Schreiber 11 needs to participate in all of the parts that lead 12 up to your considerations and your final report. 13 So on balance over all, having 14 regard to the general principles -- some of the 15 general principles that I've asked you to 16 consider, including favouring inclusion, having 17 regard to the nature of this proceeding and that quite frankly, there's not a large number of 18 19 participants either for Part 1 or for Part 2, you 20 ought to consider granting full standing to Mr. 21 Schreiber for Part 2. 22 And so subject to any questions, 23 those are my submissions at this point. 24 COMMISSIONER OLIPHANT: As you 25 know, Mr. Auger, in addition to granting standing **INTERNATIONAL REPORTING INC.** 

1 as a party, I can also grant standing as an 2 intervenor. In the event that I decide not to 3 grant standing as a party, is Mr. Schreiber seeking standing as an intervenor? 4 5 MR. AUGER: Yes. 6 COMMISSIONER OLIPHANT: Okay. MR. AUGER: Of course, the first 7 8 position is ---9 COMMISSIONER OLIPHANT: Oh no, I 10 appreciate that, yes. MR. AUGER: --- to request full 11 12 standing. But in my submission on that point, of 13 course, there are two categories of standing. 14 COMMISSIONER OLIPHANT: And the tests are different, too ---15 16 MR. AUGER: Correct. 17 COMMISSIONER OLIPHANT: --- for the granting of standing. 18 19 MR. AUGER: Correct. And that 20 corresponds with limited rights ---21 COMMISSIONER OLIPHANT: T'm 22 talking about the tests that are set forth in the Rules of Procedure of this Commission. 23

24 MR. AUGER: Yes.

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1 example, in order to grant standing, the person 2 applying must show to my satisfaction that he, she 3 or it is directly and substantially affected by the mandate. That's the policy review mandate. 4 And then, in terms of intervenor status, there 5 must be a demonstration, again to my satisfaction, 6 of a genuine concern about the issues and -- and 7 this is conjunctive -- the person applying must 8 9 demonstrate a particular perspective or expertise. 10 And you would say, I take it -- I 11 don't want to put words into your mouth or make 12 your argument -- that there may not be expertise 13 but certainly a particular perspective. 14 MR. AUGER: Point number one is 15 certainly a perspective, and I think I've taken 16 you through a couple of examples as a practical 17 matter. COMMISSIONER OLIPHANT: 18 M'hm. 19 MR. AUGER: Dealing with your second inquiry, in terms of expertise, I read the 20 21 transcript from yesterday, and I noted that one of 22 the components of the expert forum to be held in 23 June includes that parties with standing will be 24 entitled to ask guestions of the experts.

25 And so if a party with standing is **INTERNATIONAL REPORTING INC.** 

1 entitled to ask questions of experts, it may be that that party with standing could be equipped --2 3 could be equipped with a particular line of questioning in order to explore or challenge or 4 test that expert panel's opinions, findings ---5 6 COMMISSIONER OLIPHANT: Or perhaps 7 have his own expert. 8 MR. AUGER: Precisely. And when I 9 say counsel could question the panel on that 10 panel's opinions, counsel would of course want to 11 be educated ---12 COMMISSIONER OLIPHANT: Yes. 13 MR. AUGER: --- hypothetically 14 through is own expert -- his or her own expert. 15 And so it might be -- and of course we haven't --16 we're not offering any expert evidence at this 17 juncture but ---18 COMMISSIONER OLIPHANT: No, no, 19 no, and I'm not asking for any kind of an 20 undertaking. 21 MR. AUGER: But foreseeably, if 22 the nature of the exercise is that counsel or

23 parties with standing are entitled to question the 24 expert panel, my submission would be that it could 25 very well assist you in that questioning, if

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1 counsel has his or her own expert opinion to put 2 propositions to that expert panel. 3 COMMISSIONER OLIPHANT: What time 4 is your court case, Mr. Auger? MR. AUGER: At 10:00 o'clock. 5 COMMISSIONER OLIPHANT: You'd 6 7 better get going. 8 MR. AUGER: If I may be excuse. 9 COMMISSIONER OLIPHANT: Thank you. 10 MR. AUGER: I thank you for your 11 attention today. 12 COMMISSIONER OLIPHANT: Thank you. 13 Don't get a speeding ticket on the way; okay? 14 MR. AUGER: Thank you. COMMISSIONER OLIPHANT: 15 Mr. 16 Wolson? 17 MR. WOLSON: Commissioner, Mr. 18 Conacher is here on behalf of Democracy Watch. Не 19 has filed materials. I know that you have read 20 them and considered them, and he's here this 21 morning to make a further submission. We have 22 tried to keep the submissions in the range of 23 about 15 minutes. With that in mind, you may wish 24 now to hear from Mr. Conacher. 25 COMMISSIONER OLIPHANT: Sure.

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1 Are you ready to proceed, Mr. 2 Conacher? Yes, just come on up to the podium please. Good morning. 3 Mr. Conacher, you were scheduled 4 5 to be heard yesterday and asked for permission to have your submissions set over to today. But just 6 7 for the record, could I just ask you please to elaborate on the reason that you were not able to 8 9 be here yesterday? 10 MR. CONACHER: Yes. I was 11 actually in the Federal Court of Appeal ---12 COMMISSIONER OLIPHANT: All right. 13 MR. CONACHER: --- on a case ---14 COMMISSIONER OLIPHANT: That's 15 fine. 16 MR. CONACHER: --- for judicial 17 review. 18 COMMISSIONER OLIPHANT: And your 19 attendance was required there? 20 MR. CONACHER: Yes, to advise our 21 counsel. 22 COMMISSIONER OLIPHANT: Okay, that's fine. Thank you. Go ahead, please. 23 --- SUBMISSIONS BY/REPRÉSENTATIONS PAR MR. 24 25 CONACHER:

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1 MR. CONACHER: Thank you very 2 much. As I told one of your team of counsel, I do 3 not actually have further submission beyond what we've submitted in writing. 4 COMMISSIONER OLIPHANT: 5 Okay. MR. CONACHER: I would just like 6 7 to make a few points of clarification and then I 8 welcome your questions. 9 COMMISSIONER OLIPHANT: Sure. You 10 feel free to say whatever you want, Mr. Conacher. 11 The first point of MR. CONACHER: 12 clarification with regard to our submission is 13 that the heading of the last section, I notice 14 that I made a typographical error, and it says 15 "Application for Standing as a Party". That last section and the points within it are actually 16 17 addressing the application in the alternative as 18 an intervenor. COMMISSIONER OLIPHANT: So you've 19 20 got an application for full standing and for 21 intervenor status should that full standing not be 22 granted? 23 MR. CONACHER: Yes. 24 COMMISSIONER OLIPHANT: Okay. 25 And you'll see this MR. CONACHER:

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1 last section on the third page. It says, 2 "application for standing as a party". That 3 should have said "application for standing as an intervenor". 4 COMMISSIONER OLIPHANT: 5 All right, thank you. 6 MR. CONACHER: So those points are 7 to -- that in the alternative. 8 9 I believe, as the submission 10 states, that the public is directly and 11 substantially affected by the policy review and 12 that Democracy Watch, of any organization in 13 Canada, is best positioned to be a public interest 14 representative. But, as well, we definitely can 15 provide expertise and a perspective as an 16 intervenor. 17 The second point of clarification, in the interest of full transparency and 18 19 government ethics, I would like to make public 20 that I do have a past association with your 21 Director of Policy Research. He was a founding 22 Board member of Democracy Watch. He has not been 23 a Board member for more than 10 years, if I 24 remember correctly, or just about 10 years. 25 We have not had associations since

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1 that time to any degree other than -- certainly not in the last five, six years -- in any direct 2 3 way, except possibly running into each other occasionally. So I do not see any live issue 4 there at all in terms of conflicts. 5 COMMISSIONER OLIPHANT: I really 6 7 appreciate your putting that on the record, Mr. 8 Conacher. I can assure you that someone else 9 disclosed the same thing, and that was considered 10 before Professor Forcese was retained by the 11 Commission. But I thank you for your candour. 12 MR. CONACHER: Yes. And other 13 than that, I welcome your questions in terms of 14 our submission. 15 COMMISSIONER OLIPHANT: I really -16 - I've read your materials and I know, just from 17 life experience, what Democracy Watch does in terms of its work, and I really don't feel the 18 19 need to ask any questions. I thank you for 20 coming. 21 My pleasure. MR. CONACHER: 22 COMMISSIONER OLIPHANT: All right; 23 thank you. 24 COMMISSIONER OLIPHANT: I have 25 heard thus far four applications for standing.

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Yesterday, I heard applications on behalf of the
 Attorney General of Canada and by Arthur Jefford
 on his own behalf and on behalf of a corporation,
 Jefford Industries Limited.

5 This morning, I have heard 6 applications on behalf of Mr. Schreiber, who has 7 been granted standing with respect to Part 1, and 8 I have heard as well from Mr. Conacher on behalf 9 of Democracy Watch.

10 Yesterday, I reserved my decision 11 with respect to Mr. Jefford's application, and I 12 feel the need to do the same with respect to each 13 of Mr. Schreiber's applications and that of 14 Democracy Watch. Particularly with respect to Mr. 15 Schreiber's application, I received materials this 16 morning that I didn't have the opportunity to read in the kind of detail that I would like to read, 17 and I'm reserving for that purpose. 18

19 So that with respect to each of 20 the applications by Mr. Jefford, Mr. Schreiber and 21 Democracy Watch I will reserve. I will be writing 22 rulings with respect to each of those 23 applications. They will be delivered to each of 24 the parties and, after translation, posted on the 25 website of the Commission.

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1	Mr. Wolson, is there any other
2	business to be conducted by the Commission this
3	morning or does that complete our work for today,
4	at least as far as this part of the work of the
5	Inquiry is concerned?
6	MR. WOLSON: Mr. Commissioner,
7	there are no other applications or other business.
8	As to our work, that will go on for many, many
9	hours over many days.
10	COMMISSIONER OLIPHANT: That's why
11	I said "at least at this part of the work of the
12	Inquiry".
13	MR. WOLSON: Yes.
14	COMMISSIONER OLIPHANT: I don't
15	want people to think we are going golfing or
16	anything, but we are in Ottawa in any event.
17	MR. WOLSON: Good morning, sir.
18	That completes my matters at least.
19	COMMISSIONER OLIPHANT: Thank you.
20	Thank you, Counsel. Good morning.
21	MR. WOLSON: Good morning.
22	THE REGISTRAR: All rise.
23	Veuillez vous lever.
24	The hearing is adjourned.
25	Upon adjourning at 10:02 a.m./

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