

Media Advisory

Posting of the Minutes of the Board of Internal Economy

Ottawa – June 13, 2013 – The Board of Internal Economy is now posting the <u>minutes</u> of its meetings on <u>parl.gc.ca</u>. The minutes are the record of decision of each meeting. The Board has taken this step to facilitate access to this information.

The minutes from all Board meetings of the 41st Parliament are now posted. Board minutes will continue to be tabled in the Chamber, a practice that has been in place since the 35th Parliament.

The Board of Internal Economy is the governing body of the House of Commons. The Board is created by the <u>Parliament of Canada Act</u> and has equal representation from the governing party and the officially recognized parties (i.e. those holding at least 12 seats in the House). It is chaired by the Speaker of the House. The Board of Internal Economy is responsible for establishing <u>by-laws</u>, policies and guidelines relating to expenditures and resources provided to Members in order to carry out their parliamentary functions. This authority is given to the Board by the <u>Parliament of Canada Act</u>.

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