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Update: West Block Project

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Earlier today the Board of Internal Economy agreed to move to the West Block during Parliament's winter adjournment. Starting this summer the House will proceed with the transition of certain offices from Centre Block to the Confederation, Wellington and Justice buildings. This decision was made with our partners at Public Services and Procurement Canada, following a thorough status review and risk analysis of the project.

Parliament is a unique environment that requires a fully functional and operational facility with uninterrupted services. Taking the time to ensure that the West Block is fully functional with all required technology, that it provides safe and secure facilities, and that it has the appropriate level of fully trained service staff is imperative to sustaining the work of Parliament.

Once complete, the West Block and Visitor Welcome Centre (Phase 1) will serve as both an expertly restored and fully functional interim legislative building for the House of Commons. Given the complexity of this historic rehabilitation, all partners have done an outstanding job on this challenging project. The West Block will serve Parliament very well as an interim home for the next 10 years.

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