



MEDIA ADVISORY

Canada to host Meeting of the Speakers of the Lower Houses of the G7

Halifax, Nova Scotia – September 4, 2018

The 16th Meeting of the Speakers of the Lower Houses of the G7 will take place in Halifax, Nova Scotia, from September 6 to 8, 2018. The Honourable Geoff Regan, Speaker of the House of Commons of Canada, will host this year's gathering. Discussions will focus on the theme of "Parliamentary Oversight and National Security."

Date: September 6 to 8, 2018
Location: Lord Nelson Hotel & Suites
(unless otherwise stated)
1515 South Park Street
Halifax, Nova Scotia

The following presiding officers or their delegates will attend:

- **Her Excellency Carole Bureau-Bonnard**, First Vice-President of the National Assembly (France)
- **Dr. Wolfgang Schäuble**, President of the Bundestag (Germany)
- **Mr. Roberto Fico**, President of the Chamber of Deputies (Italy)
- **Mr. Tadamori Oshima**, Speaker of the House of Representatives (Japan)
- **The Right Honourable John Bercow**, M.P., Speaker of the House of Commons (United Kingdom)
- **Mr. Ed Royce**, Chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee (United States)

The Belleisle 1 room will be available to media during the meeting. Media are invited to register at the G7 Registration and Information Desk as of 8:00 a.m. on Friday, September 7. Media are also asked to confirm their attendance at the news conference with Speaker Regan and the presiding officers that will be held at 12:15 p.m. that day, by calling 613-992-5042.

See program details below.

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Program highlights

Thursday, September 6

7:00 p.m.

Welcome dinner reception (closed to media)

Hosted by the Honourable Arthur J. LeBlanc, ONS, QC, Lieutenant Governor of Nova Scotia, and the Honourable Geoff Regan, P.C., M.P., Speaker of the House of Commons of Canada

Location: Government House

Friday, September 7

8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

Opening session (open to media)

- Indigenous blessing
- Welcoming remarks by the Honourable Geoff Regan, P.C., M.P., Speaker of the House of Commons of Canada
- Official photograph of presiding officers

9:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Plenary meeting (closed to media)

12:15 p.m. – 12:45 p.m.

News conference with speakers and/or their delegates

Location: Georgian Lounge

Lord Nelson Hotel & Suites

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Friday, September 7 (cont.)

3:30p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Visit to Ocean Frontier Institute, Dalhousie University (official photographers only)

7:00 p.m.

Dinner (closed to media)

Hosted by the Honourable Geoff Regan, P.C., M.P., Speaker of the House of Commons of Canada

Location: Pier 21 National Historic Site, Canadian Museum of Immigration

Saturday, September 8

9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Breakfast meeting (closed to media)

Hosted by the Honourable Geoff Regan, P.C., M.P., Speaker of the House of Commons of Canada, for heads of delegations

10:30 a.m.

Bilateral and plenary meetings (closed to media)

4:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Visit to Peggy's Cove (official photographers only)