House of Commons Administration: Proactive Publication of Financial Information

The Honourable Anthony Rota, Speaker of the House of Commons, advised today that the House Administration disclosure reports are now available to the public on ourcommons.ca.

The Access to Information Act (the “Act”) was amended by the Act to amend the Access to Information Act and the Privacy Act and to make consequential amendments to other Acts (formerly Bill C-58), which received Royal Assent on June 21, 2019, and came into force on June 21, 2020.

All parliamentary entities, including the Senate, the House of Commons and the Library of Parliament, are subject to new proactive publication obligations.

In accordance with the Act, starting June 21, 2020, financial information regarding travel and hospitality expenses incurred by House Administration employees, as well as contracts with a value of more than $10,000 entered into by the House Administration, will be published on ourcommons.ca within 60 calendar days of the end of the quarter in which expenses are incurred and contracts entered into. In line with this schedule, the next publication, which covers the third quarter of 2020–2021, will be published in February 2021.

For more information, see the frequently asked questions about the reports for the House Administration.

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The House Administration supports the institution of Parliament and its Members. It strives to provide the services, infrastructure and advice Members need to carry out their work as legislators and representatives in the Chamber, in committees, and in their offices on Parliament Hill and in their constituencies.

The Board of Internal Economy, chaired by the Speaker, is the governing body of the House of Commons. The Speaker is also the head of the House Administration and is responsible for its overall direction and management. The Clerk of the House of
Commons reports to the Speaker and is responsible for the management of the House Administration.

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