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Minutes

11th Meeting

Friday 24 March 2017

Present:

John McCormick (Chair)
Jackson Carlaw MSP
John Finnie MSP
Johann Lamont MSP
Fiona McLeod

Katie Burke MSYP
Pam Duncan-Glancy
The Very Rev. Dr Lorna Hood
Geoff Mawdsley
Boyd Robertson

Apologies were received from John Edward and Jeremy Purvis.

The meeting opened at 10.00 am in Committee Room 1 at the Scottish Parliament.

1. The Commission discussed the key themes arising from the evidence gathered to date (in private).
2. The Commission discussed parliamentary identity and scrutiny with –
Katrine Bussey, Political Editor, Press Association Scotland;
David Clegg, Convener, The Scottish Parliamentary Journalists' Association;
Gordon Macmillan, Head of News, STV;
John McLellan, Chair, Scottish Newspaper Society; and
Gary Smith, Head of News, BBC Scotland.
3. The Commission discussed parliamentary scrutiny, engagement and identity with –
Rt. Hon. Alex Salmond MP, First Minister of Scotland, 2007-2014.
4. The Commission considered the discussions held at items 2 and 3 (in private).

The meeting closed at 3.30 pm.

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