



# House of Commons

Tuesday 6 October 2020

## PUBLIC BILL COMMITTEE PROCEEDINGS

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### OVERSEAS OPERATIONS (SERVICE PERSONNEL AND VETERANS) BILL

[FIRST AND SECOND SITTINGS]

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#### GLOSSARY

*This document shows the fate of each clause, schedule, amendment and new clause.*

*The following terms are used:*

*Added:* New Clause agreed without a vote and added to the Bill.

*Agreed to:* agreed without a vote.

*Agreed to on division:* agreed following a vote.

*Negatived:* rejected without a vote.

*Negatived on division:* rejected following a vote.

*Not called:* debated in a group of amendments, but not put to a decision.

*Not moved:* not debated or put to a decision.

*Question proposed:* debate underway but not concluded.

*Withdrawn after debate:* moved and debated but then withdrawn, so not put to a decision.

*Not selected:* not chosen for debate by the Chair.

Johnny Mercer

*Agreed to*

That—

- (1) the Committee shall (in addition to its first meeting at 9.25 am on Tuesday 6 October) meet—
  - (a) at 2.00 pm on Tuesday 6 October;
  - (b) at 11.30 am and 2.30 pm on Thursday 8 October;
  - (c) at 9.25 am and 2.00 pm on Wednesday 14 October;
  - (d) at 9.25 am and 2.00 pm on Tuesday 20 October;
  - (e) at 11.30 am and 2.00 pm on Thursday 22 October;

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- (2) the Committee shall hear oral evidence in accordance with the following Table:

**TABLE**

| <i>Date</i>        | <i>Time</i>                  | <i>Witness</i>   |
|--------------------|------------------------------|--|
| Tuesday 6 October  | Until no later than 10.30 am | British Armed Forces Federation<br>Armed Forces Support Group  |
| Tuesday 6 October  | Until no later than 11.00 am | Hilary Meredith Solicitors Limited   |
| Tuesday 6 October  | Until no later than 11.25 am | Major Robert Campbell  |
| Tuesday 6 October  | Until no later than 3.00 pm  | Professor Richard Ekins, Policy Exchange<br>Dr Jonathan Morgan, University of Cambridge<br>John Larkin QC, Policy Exchange |
| Tuesday 6 October  | Until no later than 4.00 pm  | Association of Personal Injury Lawyers<br>Centre for Military Justice  |
| Tuesday 6 October  | Until no later than 5.00 pm  | Liberty<br>Human Rights Watch  |
| Thursday 8 October | Until no later than 12.15 pm | Cobseo - the Confederation of Service Charities<br>The Royal British Legion  |
| Thursday 8 October | Until no later than 1.00 pm  | General Sir Nick Parker  |
| Thursday 8 October | Until no later than 3.15 pm  | Princess of Wales's Royal Regiment Association   |
| Thursday 8 October | Until no later than 4.00 pm  | His Honour Judge Jeff Blackett,<br>Judge Advocate General  |

- (3) proceedings on consideration of the Bill in Committee shall be taken in the following order: Clauses 1 to 6; Schedule 1; Clauses 7 and 8; Schedule 2; Clause 9; Schedule 3; Clause 10; Schedule 4; Clauses 11 to 16; new Clauses; new Schedules; remaining proceedings on the Bill;
- (4) the proceedings shall (so far as not previously concluded) be brought to a conclusion at 5.00 pm on Thursday 22 October.
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Overseas Operations (Service Personnel and Veterans) Bill, *continued*

Johnny Mercer

That, subject to the discretion of the Chair, any written evidence received by the Committee shall be reported to the House for publication.

*Agreed to*

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Johnny Mercer

That, at this and any subsequent meeting at which oral evidence is to be heard, the Committee shall sit in private until the witnesses are admitted.

*Agreed to*

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*The following witnesses gave oral evidence:*

*Douglas Young, British Armed Forces Federation; Michael Sutcliff, Armed Forces support Group; Hilary Meredith, Hilary Meredith Solicitors; Major Robert Campbell, Professor Richard Ekins, Policy Exchange; Dr Jonathan Morgan, Corpus Christi College, Cambridge; John Larkin QC, Ahmed Al-Nahas, Association of Personal Injury Lawyers; Emma Norton, Centre for Military Justice; Martha Spurrier, Liberty; Clive Baldwin, Human Rights Watch.*

[Adjourned until Thursday at 11.30am