

## Report of the Canadian Parliamentary Delegation respecting its participation at the 50th Anniversary Celebrations of the Canada-France Interparliamentary Association

**Canada-France Interparliamentary Association** 

Paris, France July 1, 2015

## Report

As the Vice-Chair of the Canada-France Interparliamentary Association (CFIA) and at the invitation of Canada's Ambassador to France, His Excellency Lawrence Cannon, Senator Michel Rivard attended the CFIA's 50th anniversary celebrations. The celebrations were a highlight of the traditional July 1 reception hosted by the Embassy of Canada in France.

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In Paris, Senator Rivard attended the July 1 celebrations at the Ambassador's official residence. Senator Rivard's engagements began near noon and continued throughout the day. Apart from his speeches on behalf of Senate Speaker Leo Housakos and CFIA Chair Senator Claudette Tardif, the senator was able to greet and speak with many French parliamentarians, policy makers and economic stakeholders. His attendance underscored the importance Canada and France attach to interparliamentary relations between the two countries.

More than 200 guests attended the celebrations, including many of the Embassy's key French contacts, such as Ms. Catherine Coutelle, Chair of the CFIA French Group and Mr. Claude Bartolone, President of the French National Assembly.

The celebrations hosted by the Embassy of Canada in France bringing together French and Canadian parliamentarians and senior officials and the Embassy's unwavering support of the CFIA's work contribute immensely to maintaining the current dialogue between the two countries on issues of common interest. This dialogue is vital because it encourages and supports interparliamentary and intergovernmental cooperation between Canada and France.

Respectfully submitted,

Senator Claudette Tardif Chair, Canada-France Interparliamentary Association

## **Travel Costs**

ASSOCIATION Canada-France

Interparliamentary Association

**ACTIVITY** 50th anniversary celebrations of the

Canada-France Parliamentary

Association

**DESTINATION** Paris, France

**DATES** July 1, 2015

**DELEGATION** 

SENATE Hon. Michael Rivard

**HOUSE OF COMMONS** 

STAFF

TRANSPORTATION \$ 4,114.31

ACCOMMODATION \$ 1,323.87

HOSPITALITY \$ -

PER DIEMS \$ 579.66

OFFICIAL GIFTS \$ -

MISCELLANEOUS / \$ - REGISTRATION FEES

TOTAL \$ 6,017.84