FINANCE COMMITTEE

Tuesday 30 May 2000 (*Morning*)

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CONVENER

Mike Watson (Glasgow Cathcart) (Lab)

DEPUTY CONVENER

*Elaine Thomson (Aberdeen North) (Lab)

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Mr David Davidson (North-East Scotland) (Con)

*Rhoda Grant (Highlands and Islands) (Lab) Mr Adam Ingram (South of Scotland) (SNP)

George Lyon (Argyll and Bute) (LD)

Mr Kenneth Macintosh (Eastwood) (Lab)

*Mr Keith Raffan (Mid Scotland and Fife) (LD)

*Dr Richard Simpson (Ochil) (Lab)

*Mr John Swinney (North Tayside) (SNP)

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SENIOR ASSISTANT CLERK

Anne Peat

ASSISTANT CLERK

Sean Wixted

LOC ATION

Committee Room 1

^{*}Andrew Wilson (Central Scotland) (SNP)

^{*}attended

Scottish Parliament

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[THE DEPUTY CONVENER opened the meeting at 10:06]

The Deputy Convener (Elaine Thomson): Welcome to this morning's meeting of the Finance Committee.

As you can see, Mike Watson, our convener, is missing as the result of a slight accident involving his back. I have received apologies from Kenneth Macintosh and Adam Ingram will, I believe, turn up later.

Items in Private

The Deputy Convener: There are three items on our agenda, the first of which is to ask whether the committee agrees to take the second and third items in private. Do I have the committee's agreement to that?

Members: Yes.

The Deputy Convener: The meeting will now move into private session.

Meeting continued in private until 11:55.

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