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Hon. Bob Nault tables report in Parliament on behalf of the Canadian Section of ParlAmericas

"Parliamentarians are instrumental in combating the corruption that can undermine democratic institutions" – Nault

OTTAWA – On Monday, June 18, 2018, the <u>Honourable Bob Nault</u>, P.C., M.P., Chair of the Canadian Section of ParlAmericas, <u>tabled a report</u> in the House of Commons regarding Canadian parliamentarians' participation at a meeting of ParlAmericas' <u>Open Parliament Network</u> from April 11th to 13th, 2018 in Lima, Peru. The meeting occurred in the context of the <u>8th Summit of the Americas</u>.

Mr. Nault led Canada's all-party delegation, comprising the <u>Honourable Rosa Galvez</u>, Senator, the <u>Honourable Michael L. MacDonald</u>, Senator, <u>Mr. Marc Serré</u>, M.P. and <u>Mr. François Choquette</u>, M.P.

The meeting brought together legislators from throughout the hemisphere to discuss methods to fight corruption, the role of ethical standards and probity in strengthening parliamentary integrity, and ways in which parliaments are using technology to enhance collaboration with civil society.

"Combating corruption must be a high priority for legislators throughout the Americas and the Caribbean," stated Nault. "These meetings are extremely important because we learn from each other on how best to implement measures that will help to eliminate corruption, which undermines progress. As well, in order to ensure transparency and accountability, we need to involve civil society organizations in the implementation of good governance practices."

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