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Commission du droit d'auteur
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Date	2026-02-27
Order of the Board	CB-CDA 2026-027
Proceeding	SOCAN 2.D – Canadian Broadcasting Television (2015-2025)
Case Manager	René Côté

I. Background

[1] In response to Direction CB-CDA 2026-010, the Parties jointly submitted a draft order that proposed parameters for the cross-examination of the CBC's expert, Dr. David Reitman.

II. Order

[2] Upon review of the draft order, as well as the Parties' correspondence that accompanied same, it is ordered that:

1. SOCAN is granted a half day (three hours exclusive of breaks) to cross-examine Dr. Reitman.
2. The cross-examination will proceed virtually on March 5, 2026.
3. Questions which are subject to objections based on *relevance* shall be answered under reserve of the objection. The Parties shall also answer other related or sub-questions, under reserve of the applicable objection(s) if necessary. Any answers provided under reserve of an objection may only be filed as evidence once a motion is brought before the Board to rule on the relevant objection(s) and the Board rules the respective question may be relevant. The procedure to be followed in any objections motions will be decided by the Board if and when objections arise.
4. SOCAN shall arrange for the court reporter and pay for the cost of the transcript.
5. The schedule of proceeding is therefore as follows:

Table 1 – Schedule of Proceeding

Event	Date
SOCAN cross-examination of Dr. David Reitman	March 5, 2026
SOCAN response submissions	April 7, 2026
CBC reply to SOCAN response submissions	April 17, 2026
Board to advise Parties if an oral hearing will be held and consult with Parties at that time on proposed dates	By June 1, 2026