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Section I: Introduction

The Parliament of Canada's international and interparliamentary relations are carried out, in part, through parliamentary associations.

As of March 31, 2022, there are 12 parliamentary associations, plus the Canadian Delegation to the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly which falls under the Canada-Europe Parliamentary Association, that receive funding from the Parliament of Canada and are under the administrative authority of the Joint Interparliamentary Council. These associations also receive full administrative support from the International and Interparliamentary Affairs Directorate.

The purpose of this report is to provide an overview of parliamentary associations and their activities and expenditures for the 2021-2022 fiscal year. This section of the report provides information about parliamentary associations, their governance and the support they receive. Section II provides a general overview of association activities and expenditures for the fiscal year, whereas Section III provides more detailed information and data for each association for that same period.

We hope this report will provide helpful information on the activities of parliamentary associations and lead to a better understanding of the work of parliamentarians at the international level. For any additional information about this report or parliamentary associations, please contact the Joint Interparliamentary Council, at JIC-CIM@parl.gc.ca.

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Parliamentary Associations and Interparliamentary Groups

As mentioned on the previous page, <u>parliamentary associations</u>¹ receive funding from the Parliament of Canada, fall under the administrative authority of the Joint Interparliamentary Council and receive full administrative assistance from the International and Interparliamentary Affairs Directorate. Though their activities and objectives may vary, the associations share similar characteristics:

- they promote Canada's interests abroad on an ongoing basis;
- they operate on multilateral and bilateral levels;
- they are composed of members of the Senate and of the House of Commons;
- they meet at annual general meetings where they elect their executive committees, as well as at other meetings to coordinate and direct activities with their bilateral counterparts or with the international secretariats of the multilateral organizations to which they belong.

As of March 31, 2022, there are 12 associations, plus the Canadian Delegation to the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly which falls under the Canada-Europe Parliamentary Association. These multilateral or bilateral associations, which can be found in **Table 1** on the next page, may be grouped into five geographical regions: global, Europe, Americas, Asia-Pacific and Africa.

The Parliament of Canada has also recognized four <u>interparliamentary groups</u>², as found in **Table 1**, to help promote bilateral relations with the specific country to which they are related. These groups receive no funding from Parliament and minimal administrative assistance. This assistance is generally limited to administrative and procedural support for annual general meetings, maintaining the group's constitution and collecting related membership fees. The interparliamentary groups promote cooperation and understanding amongst nations and, like parliamentary associations, strengthen the relations between Canadian parliamentarians and their counterparts in other Parliaments. Membership fees from individual parliamentarians support the activities of these groups. Given the nature of these groups, this report does not provide information about their activities and expenditures.

In addition to the parliamentary associations and the four recognized interparliamentary groups, there are a number of other groups, often referred to as "friendship groups" that do not receive administrative or financial support from the Parliament of Canada. These groups are not required to register their activities or membership with the Council, but they are encouraged to advise the International and Interparliamentary Affairs Directorate of their establishment in order to assist those who might wish to contact them. For more information about these groups, please consult the <u>Parliamentary Diplomacy Canada Website</u>.

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¹Although the summary of information about the activities of the associations can be found in Section III of this report, a detailed description of the structure, activities and objectives of each association is available at http://www.parl.ca/diplomacy.

²For a detailed description of the structure, activities and objectives of each group, please visit the website at https://www.parl.ca/diplomacy/en/groups.

TABLE 1 – LIST OF PARLIAMENTARY ASSOCIATIONS AND RECOGNIZED INTERPARLIAMENTARY GROUPS

Parliamentary associations (12)	Region				
Multilateral associations (7)					
Canada-Africa Parliamentary Association (CAAF)	Africa				
Canada-Europe Parliamentary Association (CAEU) Canadian Delegation to the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly (SECO)	Europe				
Canadian Branch of the Assemblée parlementaire de la Francophonie (CAPF)	Global				
Canadian Branch of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (CCOM)	Global				
Canadian Group of the Inter-Parliamentary Union (UIPU)	Global				
Canadian NATO Parliamentary Association (CANA)	Global				
Canadian Section of ParlAmericas (CPAM)	Americas				
Bilateral associations (5)					
Canada-China Legislative Association (CACN)	Asia-Pacific				
Canada-France Inter-Parliamentary Association (CAFR)	Europe				
Canada-Japan Inter-Parliamentary Group (CAJP)	Asia-Pacific				
Canada-United Kingdom Inter-Parliamentary Association (RUUK)	Europe				
Canada-United States Inter-Parliamentary Group (CEUS)	Americas				
Interparliamentary groups (4)					
Canada-Germany Interparliamentary Group (CADE)					
Canada-Ireland Interparliamentary Group (CAIE)					
Canada-Israel Interparliamentary Group (CAIL)					
Canada-Italy Interparliamentary Group (CAIT)					

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Joint Interparliamentary Council

The Joint Interparliamentary Council (ICCI) is responsible for determining all budgetary and administrative matters relating to parliamentary associations. Specifically, the Council determines the level of funding to be distributed to each association within the limits of the total allotments approved by the Senate Standing Committee on Internal Economy, Budgets and Administration and the House of Commons Board of Internal Economy. In addition, the Council is also responsible for setting the overall general policy direction for parliamentary associations, as well as for coordinating related activities and operating policies to ensure effective, efficient, consistent and coherent support for international and interparliamentary activities while also promoting the best interests of the Parliament of Canada in its relations with other parliaments.

During this fiscal year, the Council met to discuss ongoing public health measures in relation to the COVID-19 pandemic and their impact on the work of parliamentary associations. Consequently, on five occasions the Council extended the moratorium on all International and Interparliamentary Affairs supported international travel and incoming delegations. On March 9, 2022, the Council agreed to lift the moratorium as of April 1, 2022. In light of the limited internal capacity to support virtual meetings, the Council instructed only associations with a vacancy in a chair or co-chair position to hold virtual annual general meetings to elect new executive committees and extended the terms of the executives of the other associations by one year. The Council also approved a request to allow the Parliament of Canada to organize the 31st Annual Session of the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe Parliamentary Assembly in Vancouver, in July 2023. Lastly, the Council struck a subcommittee to review the structure, governance, and financial administration of parliamentary associations, with a reporting deadline of October 31, 2022.

Members of the Joint Interparliamentary Council (on March 31, 2022)

	Senate	House of Commons
Co-Chairs:	Hon. Raymonde Saint-Germain	Chris d'Entremont
Members:	Hon. Dennis Dawson	Marilène Gill
	Hon. Donald Neil Plett	Lindsay Mathyssen
		Hon. David J. McGuinty, P.C
		Lianne Rood
		Ruby Sahota
		Marc G. Serré

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Supporting Parliamentary Associations

The International and Interparliamentary Affairs Directorate (IIA) is a joint Senate-House of Commons directorate offering a single parliamentary team to coordinate the Parliament of Canada's international and interparliamentary relations and activities. The Parliamentary Associations staff are responsible for the ongoing administrative, logistical and procedural support for each association.

The Library of Parliament offers support through analysts who provide research and analysis services to associations. Finally, the Parliamentary Affairs Unit, Global Affairs Canada, is a close partner that provides support for official travel by parliamentarians, parliamentary associations and interparliamentary groups and friendship groups through documents, information sessions and coordination efforts with Canadian missions abroad.

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Section II: 2021-2022 Activities and Expenditures – Overview

This section includes tables that present information related to the activities and expenditures of all parliamentary associations for the 2021-2022 fiscal year. As in the previous fiscal year, the COVID-19 pandemic continued to impact the functioning of parliamentary associations.

The work of parliamentary associations was mainly carried out in the virtual realm. Webinars, online workshops, virtual conferences and assemblies, and videoconference calls continued to be the norm.

While many multilateral parliamentary associations were able to benefit from the resources of their international counterparts to allow them to participate in activities, most bilateral associations struggled to access the resources necessary to meet on a regular basis.

Indeed, all associations continued to contend with resource constraints, as there were only so many virtual meetings that could be held at one time within the Parliamentary Precinct. Nevertheless, associations organized and coordinated various events and activities with international colleagues, ambassadors, and other relevant stakeholders throughout the year, furthering the important work of international parliamentary diplomacy.

Table 1 below provides an overview of the activities of parliamentary associations for the 2021-2022 fiscal year.

TABLE 1 – 2021-2022 STATISTICS

	2020-21	2021-2022
Senators who were members of parliamentary associations	50	47
Members of the House of Commons who were members of parliamentary associations	146	189
Virtual Executive committee meetings	19	231
Annual general meetings	0	8
Outgoing delegations	0	2
Countries visited	0	2
Incoming delegations	0	0
In-Person meetings	0	4
Virtual Meetings	183	235
Webinars, Virtual Special Event or Virtual Workshops	56	22

¹ 3 Executive committee meetings in 2021-2022 were held in hybrid format.

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Table 2 below shows a summary of the expenditures of all parliamentary associations for the past five years. For the 2021-2022 fiscal year, parliamentary associations had a budget of \$4,300,496 which reflects the same amount as the 2020-2021 fiscal year. The contribution expenditures of \$1,472,878 show a decrease of \$37,142 over the previous fiscal year. As many invoices are received in foreign currency, expenditures for contributions can vary based on fluctuating exchange rates. The membership fees assessed to Canada for multilateral associations have generally remained the same as the previous fiscal year. Total expenditures by parliamentary associations remained at the same level in comparison to the previous fiscal year mainly due to the ongoing impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. Total expenditures for parliamentary associations represent 34% of the available funding resulting in a balance of \$2,840,835 at the end of the year.

TABLE 2 – EXPENDITURES OF PARLIAMENTARY ASSOCIATIONS OVER FIVE YEARS

	2017-2018	2018-2019	2019-2020 ^E	2020-2021 ^p	2021-2022 ^{E&P}
Main Estimates	4,563,537	4,300,496	4,300,496	4,300,496	4,300,496
Expenditures					
Activities					
Transportation	1,729,726	1,657,762	1,179,116	6,862	13,386
Accommodation	551,400	501,622	372,123	732	1,722
Per Diems	232,779	224,582	145,010	1,313	1,168
Hospitality and Working Meals	124,048	124,727	103,198	2,640	1,114
Miscellaneous	63,592	65,784	47,558	1,846	3,186
Registration Fees	74,293	32,436	53,301	1,480	3,897
Revenues ¹	(30,735)	(132,497)	(155,691)	(30,127)	(37,691)
Total Expenditures for Activities	2,745,103	2,474,416	1,744,615	(15,253)	(13,217)
Contributions ²	1,394,338	1,423,587	1,424,658	1,510,020	1,472,878
Total Expenditures	4,139,441	3,898,003	3,169,273	1,494,767	1,459,661
Budget Balance	424,096	402,493	1,131,223	2,805,729	2,840,835
Utilization Rate	91%	91%	74%	35%	34%
Expenditures for Conferences			232,763	28,533	110,0773
Total Budget Balance	424,096	402,493	898,459	2,777,196	2,730,758

^E Election year: the level of activity by associations is usually lower before and after an election due to the election campaign and the time required for Parliament to resume.

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P Pandemic year (COVID-19).

¹These revenues come mainly from membership fees except for 2018-2019 and 2019-2020 fiscal years.

² The membership fees assessed to Canada for multilateral associations are shown in Canadian dollars.

³ The surplus under parliamentary associations was utilized to fund the planning phase of the 48th Annual Session of the "Assemblée parlementaire de la Francophonie" (APF).

TABLE 3 – TOTAL MEMBERSHIPS AND CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THE 2021-2022 FISCAL YEAR

	Parliamentary Associations	No. of Members	Contributions
CAAF	Canada-Africa Parliamentary Association	79	
CAEU	Canada-Europe Parliamentary Association	137	
SECO	Canadian Delegation to the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly	137	296,452
CAPF	Canadian Branch of the Assemblée parlementaire de la Francophonie	63	131,942
ССОМ	Canadian Branch of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association	114	178,703
UIPU	Canadian Group of the Inter-Parliamentary Union	84	447,309
CANA	Canadian NATO Parliamentary Association	118	393,720
CPAM	Canadian Section of ParlAmericas	86	24,753
CACN	Canada-China Legislative Association	52	
CAFR	Canada-France Inter-Parliamentary Association	72	
CAJP	Canada-Japan Inter-Parliamentary Group	78	
RUUK	RUUK Canada-United Kingdom Inter-Parliamentary Association		
CEUS Canada-United States Inter-Parliamentary Group		144	
	Total ¹	1269	1,472,878

 $^{^{1}}$ A discrepancy in the total can be explained by rounding.

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Section III: Activities and Expenditures by Parliamentary Association



Canada-Africa Parliamentary Association (CAAF)

Objectives

The purpose of the Canada-Africa Parliamentary Association (CAAF) is to encourage exchanges between African and Canadian parliamentarians, to enhance Canadian parliamentarians' understanding of important issues and serious challenges facing the African continent, to propose initiatives to increase the understanding of bilateral and multilateral issues, and to foster cooperation in all areas of undertaking.

Members of the Executive Committee (on March 31, 2022)

Senate	House of Commons
Hon. Amina Gerba	Sven Spengemann
Hon. Salma Ataullahjan	Alexis Brunelle-Duceppe
Hon. René Cormier	Terry Duguid
	Heather McPherson
	Hon. Robert Oliphant, P.C.
	Lianne Rood
Hon. Rosemary Moodie	Valerie Bradford
Hon. Scott Tannas	Michael Cooper
	Hon. Greg Fergus, P.C.
	Jamie Schmale
	Hon. Amina Gerba Hon. Salma Ataullahjan Hon. René Cormier Hon. Rosemary Moodie

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Health restrictions on Parliament Hill, virtual resource issues, and the extension of the moratorium on all International and Interparliamentary Affairs-supported international travel and incoming delegations affected the association's ability to conduct business in 2021-2022. Executive committee members met virtually in April 2021. They discussed current affairs in Kenya with the Chargé d'affaires and a Minister representing the Kenya High Commission in Canada, met with the President of the Canada-Africa Chamber of Business and the Chair of its Board of Directors and discussed the organization's mission and activities in Canada and Africa. They also heard a presentation from the President of the Kigali Council on Foreign Relations about the organization, its mandate, activities, and interest in Canada, as well as its role in Africa and other regions of the world regarding current major international issues. A virtual AGM was also held in February 2022.

Activities	Transportation	Accommodation	Per Diems	Hospitality and Working Meals	Miscellaneous	Registration Fees	Total
Revenue (membership fees)					(1,975)		(1,975)
Total					(1,975)		(1,975)

A Five-Year Summary

Fiscal Year	No. of Members	Contributions
2017-2018	82	
2018-2019	76	
2019-2020	77	N/A
2020-2021	78	
2021-2022	79	

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Canada-Europe Parliamentary Association (CAEU)

Objectives

The aim of the Canada-Europe Parliamentary Association (CAEU) is to provide a structured forum for the exchange of information and ideas between Canadian parliamentarians and parliamentarians from the European Parliament, the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe, the Western European Union Assembly, and similar European parliamentary organizations, such as the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe Parliamentary Assembly (OSCE PA) and the Conference of Parliamentarians of the Arctic Region. The Association also seeks to strengthen ties between the Parliament of Canada and the individual parliaments of all countries of Europe.

Members of the Executive Committee (on March 31, 2022)

	Senate	House of Commons
President:		Francesco Sorbara
Vice-Presidents:	Hon. David Mark Wells	James Maloney
Director, OSCE PA:		Hon. Hedy Fry, P.C.
Members:	Hon. Peter M. Boehm Hon. Pierre J. Dalphond Hon. Percy E. Downe	Stéphane Bergeron Luc Berthold Don Davies Yvonne Jones Lianne Rood Jamie Schmale Salma Zahid

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During the fiscal year of 2021-2022, the Canada-Europe Parliamentary Association (CAEU) continued to participate regularly in activities by videoconference.

CAEU members have been participating as observers in the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe (PACE) since 2004. During this fiscal year, CAEU was actively involved in hybrid meetings of the Ordinary Sessions of PACE in April, June, September and January. An Extraordinary Session was also held in March, during which the Assembly debated the consequences of the Russian Federation's aggression against Ukraine.

The 14th Conference of Parliamentarians of the Arctic Region was held in April and the Standing Committee of the Conference of Parliamentarians of the Arctic Region (SCPAR) met in February. In January, Yvonne Jones, M.P., and Bob Zimmer, M.P., became the representatives of the Parliament of Canada on this committee, which is composed of members of nine countries of the Arctic region. On March 8, SCPAR released a statement to say that it would temporarily suspend its initiatives in response to Russia's invasion of Ukraine.

With restrictions due to COVID-19 easing towards the end of March 2022, CAEU was able to have its first inperson meeting with a delegation in over two years and met with the Council of the European Union Working Party on Transatlantic Relations.

Activities	Transportation	Accommodation	Per Diems	Hospitality and Working Meals	Miscellaneous	Registration Fees	Total
Gross Expenditures					24		24
Revenue (membership fees)					(3,425)		(3,425)
Total ¹					(3,402)		(3,402)

¹A discrepancy in the total can be explained by rounding.

A Five-Year Summary

Fiscal Year	No. of Members	Contributions
2017-2018	134	
2018-2019	147	
2019-2020	154	N/A
2020-2021	126	
2021-2022	137	

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Canadian Delegation to the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly (SECO)

Objectives

The Canadian Delegation to the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly (SECO) exists within the rubric of the Canada-Europe Parliamentary Association, sharing the same membership and addressing the same objectives. These objectives include providing a forum for the exchange of information and ideas between Canadian parliamentarians and the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly (OSCE PA), as well as providing opportunities to identify mutual goals and issues of common concern and striving for their attainment and resolution. The primary purpose of the OSCE PA, the parliamentary arm of the OSCE, is to facilitate interparliamentary dialogue and to issue recommendations to the OSCE concerning its three dimensions of action: the politico-military dimension, the economic and environmental dimension, and the human dimension.

Director of the Canadian Delegation to the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly (on March 31, 2022)

	Senate	House of Commons
Director		Hon. Hedy Fry, P.C.

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During the 2021-2022 fiscal year, the regular in-person activities of the members of the Canadian Delegation to the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe Parliamentary Assembly (OSCE PA) were halted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The pandemic, however, did not stop the members of the OSCE PA from being active, participating in 18 activities organized by or in collaboration with the International Secretariat. Of note, a series of Web Dialogues on topics of importance to the assembly was developed to replace regular meetings, which could not be held throughout the year, ranging on topics such as gender equality, the implementation of sustainable development goals, the contribution of youth to the rule of law, violence against women journalists and politicians, education rights of national minorities, and the role of the OSCE PA in addressing the conflict in Ukraine.

As active members of the PA, the Canadian delegation shared their perspectives on a range of issues and shared best practices with parliamentarians from the Organization's other 56 participating States. In addition to the multiple webinars discussed above, members of the Canadian Delegation were able to participate in the 2021 virtual Remote Session, the 2021 virtual Fall Session, as well as the 2022 Winter Session, which began on February 24, the first day of the Russian invasion in Ukraine. Members also attended other regular meetings such as those of the Ad Hoc Committee on Migration and of the expanded Bureau of the OSCE PA.

A Five-Year Summary

Fiscal Year	No. of Members	Contributions
2017-2018	134	269,893
2018-2019	147	291,631
2019-2020	154	293,919
2020-2021	126	284,629
2021-2022	137	296,452

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Canadian Branch of the Assemblée parlementaire de la Francophonie (CAPF)

Objectives

The Parliament of Canada is a founding member and plays an important role within the *Assemblée* parlementaire de la Francophonie (APF). The objectives of the Canadian Branch of the *Assemblée parlementaire* de la Francophonie (CAPF) are: to encourage initiatives which promote the spread of the French language; to encourage the study of cultural, economic and social matters of common interest in order to bring about close cooperation among parliamentarians who are members of the APF; and to help establish genuine intercultural dialogue. Finally, the CAPF seeks to encourage activities and events likely to lead to exchanges among federal and provincial parliamentarians and their counterparts in other French-speaking countries.

Members of the Executive Committee (on March 31, 2022)

	Senate	House of Commons
President:		Francis Drouin
Vice-Presidents:		Darrell Samson
		René Villemure
Members:	Hon. Jean-Guy Dagenais	Dominique Vien
	Hon. Dennis Dawson	Joël Godin
	Hon. Éric Forest	Marie-France Lalonde
	Hon. Leo Housakos	Bernard Généreux

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CAPF continued to engage in numerous virtual activities throughout 2021-2022. In May, CAPF participated in a virtual webinar of the French Network for Men-Women Equity, a meeting of the Network of Women Parliamentarians' working group on harassment, a Parliamentary Conference on Digitalization, and a Parliamentary Affairs Committee meeting.

In June, CAPF had meetings of the Permanent Delegation to the APF; of the Education, Communication and Cultural Affairs Committee; the Political Committee; and of the Network of Women Parliamentarians.

For the month of July, CAPF delegations participated virtually at the meetings of the Young Parliamentarians Network and a discussion on Digitalization. In August, CAPF took part in the Conference of Branch Chairs of the Americas Region at the 36th Annual Session.

In September, CAPF participated in the 74th Annual General Meeting of the *Association canadienne d'éducation de langue française*. In October, CAPF delegates participated in the meetings of the Cooperation and Development Committee and in the APF Bureau Meeting, as well as the France-Quebec Seminar on Women Parliamentarism.

To begin the new year, CAPF participated in the APF Bureau meeting, and its Chair took part in a working session with the Secretary General of the International Organisation of La Francophonie. In February, a delegation participated in the Working Group in Peacekeeping Missions of APF, as well as a meeting of the Presidencies of APF.

Finally, in March, the Branch held its Annual General Meeting, and its Chair took part of the 40th Ministerial Conference of the Francophonie and other working sessions, replacing the President of the APF.

Activities	Transportation	Accommodation	Per Diems	Hospitality and Working Meals	Miscellaneous	Revenue	Registration Fees	Total
Gross Expenditures 1	11,841	1,472	1,059		1,038	(9,344) ²		6,066
Revenue (membership fees)					(1,575)			(1,575)
Total	11,841	1,472	1,059		(537)	(9,344)		4,491

 $^{^1}$ Mainly for the 2022-03-14 to 18 – 40th Ministerial Conference of the Francophonie – Paris, France.

A Five-Year Summary

Fiscal Year	No. of Members	Contributions
2017-2018	51	147,899
2018-2019	53	124,639
2019-2020	63	127,107
2020-2021	65	131,799
2021-2022	63	131,942

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²Flight ticket reimbursement by the Assemblée parlementaire de la Francophonie (International).

Canadian Branch of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (CCOM)



Objectives

The Canadian Branch of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (CCOM) provides the primary means for the Parliament of Canada to hold regular consultation with members of the Commonwealth Parliaments. As the parliamentary wing of the Commonwealth, the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association seeks to foster the study of and respect for parliamentary institutions. It pursues these objectives by means of annual Commonwealth parliamentary conferences and regional conferences; the interchange of delegations; seminars; and publications, notably *The Parliamentarian* (the Journal of Commonwealth Parliaments) and a wide range of resources on the CPA website www.cpahq.org.

Members of the Executive Committee (on March 31, 2022)

	Senate	House of Commons
Chair:		Alexandra Mendès
Vice-Chairs:	Hon. Yuen Pau Woo	Iqra Khalid
Members:	Hon. Salma Ataullahjan	Terry Duguid
	Hon. Patricia Bovey	Marie-Hélène Gaudreau
	Hon. Stephen Greene	Gord Johns
	Hon. Rosemary Moodie	Robert Kitchen
		Lianne Rood
		Jamie Schmale
		Brenda Shanahan
		Warren Steinley
		Salma Zahid

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CCOM had to change its program of activities over the last fiscal year due to the COVID-19 pandemic. As a result, some activities were held virtually, and others, like the Canadian Regional Conference, had to be cancelled. The international conference that was supposed to be held in Halifax in August 2021 was further postponed to August 2022. Nevertheless, CCOM remained active. The CPA Secretariat offered four webinars on topics that had been selected for the conference. CCOM was actively involved in several of these webinars, with CCOM members appearing on expert panels where the primary topic was representation and diversity in democracy and responses to countering terrorism and violent extremism. CCOM members attended the virtual conference on the Fourth Industrial Revolution organized by the CPA Secretariat. The CPA Secretariat also asked members of the Canadian Branch to speak at virtual post-election seminars for various Caribbean countries, including The Bahamas, Belize, and the British Virgin Islands. CCOM also held a virtual AGM in February 2022. Lastly, CCOM took part in several virtual activities hosted by the United Kingdom Branch of the CPA, including a two-day webinar entitled "Actions to Prevent Human Trafficking through Sport", a roundtable on climate security and governance, three workshops on trade agreements, and a three-day seminar on parliamentary practice in the Westminster system.

Activities	Transportation	Accommodation	Per Diems	Hospitality and Working Meals	Miscellaneous	Revenue	Registration Fees	Total
Gross Expenditures	4				293	(46)		251
Revenue (membership fees)					(2,850)			(2,850)
Total	4				(2,557)	(46)		(2,599)

A Five-Year Summary

Fiscal Year	No. of Members	Contributions
2017-2018	127	167,726
2018-2019	139	167,111
2019-2020	118	171,447
2020-2021	122	176,512
2021-2022	114	178,703

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Canadian Group of the Inter-Parliamentary Union (UIPU)

Objectives

The Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) is the international organization of Parliaments of sovereign States. The IPU works for peace and cooperation among peoples and for the firm establishment of representative institutions. To that end, it: fosters contacts, coordination, and the exchange of experience among Parliaments and parliamentarians of all countries; considers questions of international interest and concern and expresses its views on such issues in order to bring about action by Parliaments and parliamentarians; contributes to the defence and promotion of human rights; and contributes to better knowledge of the working of representative institutions and to the strengthening and development of their means of action. The activities of the IPU provide important opportunities for exchanges. The objectives of the delegations of the Canadian Group of the Inter-Parliamentary Union (UIPU) are to represent the values, interests and points of view of Canada in this forum.

Members of the Executive Committee (on March 31, 2022)

	Senate	House of Commons
President:		Hon. David J. McGuinty, P.C.
Vice-President:	Hon. Salma Ataullahjan	
Past-President:		Nathaniel Erskine-Smith
Members:	Hon. Robert Black Hon. Mohamed-Iqbal Ravalia Hon. Raymonde Saint-Germain	Hon. Greg Fergus, P.C. Andréanne Larouche Lindsay Mathyssen Hon. Michelle Rempel Garner, P.C. Jamie Schmale Brenda Shanahan Sven Spengemann

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UIPU members participated in nearly 100 activities during this fiscal year, as the IPU continued its practice of offering most activities – including one of the three IPU assemblies held during this time period – in either a virtual or hybrid format during the COVID-19 pandemic.

IPU assemblies are opportunities for Canadian parliamentarians to engage with colleagues from other member parliaments on questions related to democracy, the rule of law, human rights, gender equality, and sustainable development. A UIPU delegation participated in the 142nd Assembly, which was held in a virtual format in April and May 2021 following a year-long postponement due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Due to the moratorium on international travel by parliamentary associations, UIPU delegates were not able to participate fully in the two IPU assemblies held on an in-person basis: the 143rd Assembly in Madrid, Spain in November 2021 and the 144th Assembly in Nusa Dua, Indonesia in March 2022. However, the UIPU successfully proposed amendments to several resolutions and contributed statements to the General Debates. Throughout the year, members of the UIPU were active in the IPU's institutional bodies, including the Executive Committee, the Committee on Middle East Questions, the Committee on the Human Rights of Parliamentarians, the Bureau of the Forum of Women Parliamentarians, the Bureau of the Committee on Democracy and Human Rights, and the Bureau of the Committee on Sustainable Development.

In addition to the assemblies, UIPU delegates participated in virtual workshops, seminars, and conferences on a variety of themes, including post-pandemic economic and social recovery, climate change, disarmament, sustainable development, and internet governance.

Activities	Transportation	Accommodation	Per Diems	Hospitality and Working Meals	Miscellaneous	Registration Fees	Total
Revenue (membership fees)					(2,100)		(2,100)
Total					(2,100)		(2,100)

A Five-Year Summary

Fiscal Year	No. of Members	Contributions
2017-2018	90	419,526
2018-2019	83	433,422
2019-2020	82	436,542
2020-2021	93	468,027
2021-2022	84	447,309

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Canadian NATO Parliamentary Association (CANA)

Objectives

The aim of the Canadian NATO Parliamentary Association (CANA) is to increase knowledge of the concerns of the NATO Parliamentary Assembly among parliamentarians. The Assembly has its headquarters in Brussels but is completely independent of the official NATO structure. It provides a forum for parliamentarians from the NATO member countries to study and discuss matters of common concern during its Spring and Autumn Sessions. The Assembly's work deals with social, cultural, political and economic questions, as well as military matters, all of which are of vital concern to NATO member countries. Parliamentarians participate in meetings and information exchanges with colleagues throughout Europe and North America but also in Asia and Africa, as well as in the regular Assembly Sessions.

Members of the Executive Committee (on March 31, 2022)

	Senate	House of Commons
Chair:		Julie Dzerowicz
Vice-Chairs:		Hon. John McKay, P.C.
		Pierre Paul-Hus
Counsellors:	Hon. Pierre-Hugues Boisvenu	Yvan Baker
	Hon. Jane Cordy	Darren Fisher
	Hon. Mohamed-Iqbal Ravalia	Cheryl Gallant
	Hon. Vernon White	Christine Normandin
		Jamie Schmale
		Brenda Shanahan

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Due to the continued COVID-19 health restrictions and the extension of the moratorium on all IIA-supported international travel and incoming delegations, CANA's activities remained mostly virtual throughout this past fiscal year. CANA delegates were able to participate in hybrid NATO Parliamentary Assembly (PA) activities including meetings of committees, webinars, the Spring Session, and the 67th Annual Session. The subjects discussed included the conflict in Ukraine, the PA's contribution to the 2022 NATO Strategic Concept, biotechnology and building resilience to disinformation and cyberthreats. Exceptionally, a CANA delegate was able to travel to the 13th Halifax International Security Forum in November 2021 to participate in-person, one of the few such instances over the past 12 months. In March 2022, as the moratorium was scheduled to be lifted, CANA hosted His Excellency Dr. Artis Pabriks, Deputy Prime Minister and Defence Minister of the Republic of Latvia, while he was visiting Ottawa. CANA also held a virtual AGM in March of 2022.

Activities	Transportation	Accommodation	Per Diems	Hospitality and Working Meals	Miscellaneous	Registration Fees	Total
Gross Expenditures ¹	1,540	250	109	1,051	158		3,108
Revenue (membership fees)					(2,950)		(2,950)
Total	1,540	250	109	1,051	(2,792)		158

¹Mainly for the 2021-11-19 to 21 – 13th Halifax International Security Forum – Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada.

A Five-Year Summary

Fiscal Year	No. of Members	Contributions
2017-2018	112	370,404
2018-2019	286	381,126
2019-2020	175	369,783
2020-2021	121	424,061
2021-2022	118	393,720

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Canadian Section of ParlAmericas (CPAM)



Objectives

Recognizing that strengthening democracy, creating prosperity and realizing human potential are the hemisphere's most pressing priorities, the objectives of the Canadian Section of ParlAmericas (CPAM) are: to promote parliamentary participation in the inter-American system and to contribute to interparliamentary dialogue; to maintain contact with parliamentary representatives of member states of the Organization of American States (OAS); and, to meet periodically with all such representatives, for joint public discussions of common problems and objectives.

Members of the Executive Committee (on March 31, 2022)

	Senate	House of Commons
Chair:		Marc G. Serré
Vice-Chairs:	Hon. Rosa Galvez	Julie Dzerowicz
Counsellors:	Hon. Robert Black	Richard Cannings
	Hon. René Cormier	Randy Hoback
	Hon. Michael L. MacDonald	Stephanie Kusie
		Soraya Martinez Ferrada
		Jamie Schmale
		Nathalie Sinclair-Desgagné

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The Canadian Section of ParlAmericas (CPAM) held its activities virtually this fiscal year because of the COVID-19 pandemic. In May, members received a briefing on the COVAX initiative. In June, a delegation participated in the 5th Gathering of the ParlAmericas Parliamentary Network on Climate Change to identify strategies parliaments can take to ensure inclusive climate action. In August, members participated in an interparliamentary dialogue celebrating 60 years of diplomatic relations between Canada and Central American countries. In September, a delegation participated in the 13th Gathering of the ParlAmericas Parliamentary Network for Gender Equality to discuss social protection measures that were taken to respond to pandemic-related inequalities. In late November, a delegation attended the 18th Plenary Assembly of ParlAmericas to share parliaments' best practices in rebuilding the social contract. In March, members participated in the 6th Gathering of the ParlAmericas Open Parliament Network, which focused on the importance of integrity in building stronger democracies. In addition, the ParlAmericas Board of Directors and its networks held eight meetings to discuss governance, finances, strategies, and activities for the current year. Finally, CPAM Executive Committee members represented ParlAmericas and Canada at Canadian and international events, such as COP26, the World e-Parliament Conference and the Canadian Study of Parliament Group.

Activities	Transportation	Accommodation	Per Diems	Hospitality and Working Meals	Miscellaneous	Registration Fees	Total
Gross Expenditures					1,200		1,200
Revenue (membership fees)					(2,150)		(2,150)
Total					(950)		(950)

A Five-Year Summary

Fiscal Year	No. of Members	Contributions
2017-2018	112	18,891
2018-2019	109	25,658
2019-2020	102	25,861
2020-2021	95	24,993
2021-2022	86	24,753

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Canada-China Legislative Association (CACN)



Objectives

The Canada-China Legislative Association (CACN) provides a forum for the discussion of bilateral and multilateral challenges and opportunities facing the two countries. It promotes the exchange of information between Canadian parliamentarians and representatives of the National Peoples' Congress of the Peoples' Republic of China in order to encourage better understanding and closer ties between the two countries. A key component of the Association's activities consists of annual bilateral meetings between Canadian federal parliamentarians and their counterparts from the National People's Congress.

Members of the Executive Committee (on March 31, 2022)

	Senate	House of Commons
Co-Chairs:	Hon. Paul J. Massicotte	Han Dong
Vice-Chairs:	Hon. Yonah Martin	Shaun Chen
	Hon. Scott Tannas	Michael Cooper
		Don Davies
		Majid Jowhari
		Yves Perron

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Members of the Association were able to attend a virtual rendition of the 42nd General Assembly of the ASEAN Inter-Parliamentary Assembly (AIPA) as well as an AIPA Webinar on "The Growing Challenge Confronting Fisheries Crime in ASEAN". They similarly participated in the 29th Annual Meeting of the Asia-Pacific Parliamentary Forum (APPF), virtually attending the South Korean-hosted event, as well as attending the working groups and committees for drafting resolutions.

Activities	Transportation	Accommodation	Per Diems	Hospitality and Working Meals	Miscellaneous	Registration Fees	Total
Revenue (membership fees)					(1,300)		(1,300)
Total					(1,300)		(1,300)

A Five-Year Summary

Fiscal Year	No. of Members	Contributions
2017-2018	88	
2018-2019	72	
2019-2020	94	N/A
2020-2021	69	
2021-2022	52	

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Canada-France Inter-Parliamentary Association (CAFR)

Objectives

The Canada-France Inter-Parliamentary Association (CAFR) serves as a forum in which Canadian and French parliamentarians can exchange information and ideas. The Association normally meets once a year for their Annual Meeting, alternating meeting sites between Canada and France. The Association also organizes smaller gatherings on specific issues. An objective of the Association is to put forward to the governments and Parliaments of the two countries initiatives with the potential to foster a better understanding of internal or bilateral issues, as well to promote bilateral cooperation in political, economic, social, cultural and parliamentary spheres.

Members of the Executive Committee (on March 31, 2022)

	Senate	House of Commons
President:		Marie-France Lalonde
Vice-Presidents:	Hon. René Cormier	Jacques Gourde
Members:	Hon. Claude Carignan, P.C.	Luc Berthold
	Hon. Jean-Guy Dagenais	Marc Dalton
	Hon. Pierre J. Dalphond	Fayçal El-Khoury
		Darrell Samson
		Denis Trudel

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The Canada-France Inter-Parliamentary Association (CAFR) continued to be active virtually during the 2021-2022 fiscal year, despite the COVID-19 pandemic. For example, on April 27, members of the CAFR Executive Committee held a virtual meeting with the Canadian Ambassador to France and her staff on Canada-France trade and economic relations. On May 10, members of the CAFR Executive Committee met virtually with members of the France-Canada Inter-Parliamentary Association and discussed common interests in order to identify topics for a possible annual meeting. They also discussed their priorities for 2021-2022. Finally, on February 7, CAFR's Chair, Marie-France Lalonde, met virtually with Senator Yan Chantrel, the new Chair of the Senate's France-Canada Friendship Group, and Member Guillaume Kasbarian, Chair of the France-Canada Inter-Parliamentary Association. The Chairs discussed topics for 2022-2023 and upcoming annual meetings. They also gave an update on the public health situation and vaccination status in their respective countries and briefly discussed the impact of the French election on the CAFR's activities.

Activities	Transportation	Accommodation	Per Diems	Hospitality and Working Meals	Miscellaneous	Registration Fees	Total
Revenue (membership fees)					(1,800)		(1,800)
Total					(1,800)		(1,800)

A Five-Year Summary

Fiscal Year	No. of Members	Contributions
2017-2018	64	
2018-2019	66	
2019-2020	72	N/A
2020-2021	80	
2021-2022	72	

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Canada-Japan Inter-Parliamentary Group (CAJP)

Objectives

The Canada-Japan Inter-Parliamentary Group (CAJP) promotes exchanges between Japanese and Canadian parliamentarians, proposes initiatives likely to lead to a better mutual understanding of bilateral and multilateral matters and works to develop cooperation between the two countries. A key component of the Inter-Parliamentary Group's activities consists of annual bilateral meetings between Canadian federal parliamentarians and their counterparts from the Diet of Japan.

Members of the Executive Committee (on March 31, 2022)

	Senate	House of Commons
Co-Chairs:	Hon. Stanley Kutcher	Terry Sheehan
Vice-Chairs:	Hon. Victor Oh	Angelo Iacono
Members:	Hon. Pierre J. Dalphond	Gord Johns
		Ken McDonald
		Monique Pauzé
		Lianne Rood
		Jamie Schmale

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Members of the Association were able to attend a virtual rendition of the 42nd General Assembly of the ASEAN Inter-Parliamentary Assembly (AIPA) as well as an AIPA Webinar on "The Growing Challenge Confronting Fisheries Crime in ASEAN". They similarly participated in the 29th Annual Meeting of the Asia-Pacific Parliamentary Forum (APPF), virtually attending the South Korean-hosted event, as well as attending the working groups and committees for drafting resolutions. The Co-Chairs also attended in-person and virtual meetings with His Excellency Kawamura Yasuhisa, Ambassador of Japan to Canada, and, along with other members of the association, participated in virtual celebrations of the Emperor's Birthday that were organized by the Embassy.

Activities	Transportation	Accommodation	Per Diems	Hospitality and Working Meals	Miscellaneous	Registration Fees	Total
Gross Expenditures					249		249
Revenue (membership fees)					(1,950)		(1,950)
Total ¹					(1,702)		(1,702)

¹A discrepancy in the total can be explained by rounding.

A Five-Year Summary

Fiscal Year	No. of Members	Contributions
2017-2018	67	
2018-2019	72	
2019-2020	74	N/A
2020-2021	82	
2021-2022	78	

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Canada-United Kingdom Inter-Parliamentary Association (RUUK)

Objectives

The Canada-United Kingdom Inter-Parliamentary Association (RUUK) aims to broaden the traditional bilateral ties between these two countries through a modern and dynamic relationship. Its objectives include developing greater understanding of the differences in the operation of the parliaments of the two countries and increasing cooperation between parliamentarians on matters of mutual concern in international bodies on domestic issues.

Members of the Executive Committee (on March 31, 2022)

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James Maloney
Hon. John McKay, P.C.
ey John Barlow
os Michael Barrett
Daniel Blaikie
Kody Blois
Jean-Denis Garon
Matt Jeneroux

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The Executive Committee met virtually on April 9 to plan its main activities for the 2021-2022 fiscal year. The first activity of the year was a virtual bilateral meeting with British parliamentarians on May 18. The general theme of this meeting was defence and security. Another virtual bilateral meeting with British parliamentarians was held on June 28. During the meeting, participants explored topics of common interest for Canada—U.K. relations and held discussions with two guest speakers, the Honourable Ralph Goodale, High Commissioner for Canada in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and Permanent Representative of Canada to the International Maritime Organization, and Her Excellency Susan le Jeune d'Allegeershecque, then British High Commissioner to Canada. Subsequently, a meeting was held on December 2 in Ottawa between members of the Executive Committee and Her Excellency Susannah Goshko, who had just been appointed British High Commissioner to Canada. Lastly, on March 14, the Association held its annual general meeting virtually and elected a new executive committee

Activities	Transportation	Accommodation	Per Diems	Hospitality and Working Meals	Miscellaneous	Registration Fees	Total
Gross Expenditures				32			32
Revenue (membership fees)					(2,625)		(2,625)
Total				32	(2,625)		(2,593)

A Five-Year Summary

Fiscal Year	No. of Members	Contributions
2017-2018	117	
2018-2019	109	
2019-2020	103	N/A
2020-2021	109	
2021-2022	105	

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Canada-United States Inter-Parliamentary Group (CEUS)

Objectives

The aim of the Canada-United States Inter-Parliamentary Group (CEUS) is to find points of convergence in the respective national policies of both countries, initiate dialogue on points of divergence, encourage exchanges of information, and promote better understanding between Canadian and American parliamentarians on shared issues of concern including economic and trade issues, environmental, energy and shared resource issues, and defence, security and humanitarian issues, among others. To achieve its goals, CEUS normally undertakes a wide variety of activities including its annual meeting, bilateral meetings on specific topics of mutual concern, Congressional visits, and attendance at national and regional conferences.

Members of the Executive Committee (on March 31, 2022)

	Senate	House of Commons
Co-Chairs:	Hon. Michael L. MacDonald	Hon. John McKay, P.C.
Vice-Chairs:	Hon. Jane Cordy	Vance Badawey
	Hon. Percy E. Downe	Michael Cooper
	Hon. Paul J. Massicotte	Lena Metlege Diab
	Hon. Yuen Pau Woo	Anthony Housefather
		Larry Maguire
		James Maloney
		Brian Masse
		Anna Roberts
		Lianne Rood
		Simon-Pierre Savard-Tremblay
		Francesco Sorbara

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The Canada-United States Inter-Parliamentary Group (CEUS) met with the United States Senate side of the Inter-Parliamentary Group in May 2021. In July and August, CEUS participated in various webinars and virtual conferences hosted by the Pacific Northwest Economic Region, the Western and Eastern regions of the Council of State Governments, the National Governors Association, and the National Conference of State Legislators. In December 2021, members of the Group attended the annual CanAM BTA virtual Conference. CEUS also held a virtual AGM in March 2022.

In addition, in August 2021, CEUS extended by one year the trial period for the establishment of the sub-group on the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence River. The group held meetings with membership and undertook initiatives to promote regional issues.

Activities	Transportation	Accommodation	Per Diems	Hospitality and Working Meals	Miscellaneous	Registration Fees	Total
Gross Expenditures				32	225	3,897	4,154
Revenue (membership fees)					(3,600)		(3,600)
Total				32	(3,375)	3,897	554

A Five-Year Summary

Fiscal Year	No. of Members	Contributions
2017-2018	182	
2018-2019	147	
2019-2020	148	N/A
2020-2021	123	
2021-2022	144	

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