



**Report of the Canadian Parliamentary Delegation to
the 43rd British Islands and Mediterranean Regional
Conference**

**Canadian Branch of the Commonwealth
Parliamentary Association (CPA)**

Stanley, Falkland Islands

February 11 - 15, 2013

Report

Mr. Russ Hiebert, M.P. attended the 43rd British Islands and Mediterranean Regional Conference in Stanley, Falkland Islands, from February 11-15, 2013 on behalf of the Canadian Branch of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association.

Conference Sessions:

Day 1: Travel

Day 2: Opening ceremony, official photographs, Plenary Session 1, Plenary Session 2, Workshop A, Workshop B, and meeting with Falkland Island Legislative Assembly in Assembly Chambers.

Day 3: Plenary Session 3, Annual General Meeting of the Region, Open Plenary, Closing Session and press conference with delegations.

Day 4: Travel

Session Topics Included:

Determination and its role in self-governance and devolution, arguments about self-determination, the challengers of governance in smaller territories and regions, Theories of self-determination, the right to self-determination is not curtailed by sovereignty claims, and experiences in the development of greater regional and national autonomy.

Annual General Meeting Topics Included:

Minutes of Regional AGM, matters arising, Commonwealth and CPA matters, report from the CPA Chairperson, CWP matters (including agreement for election for BIMR CWP representatives), funding of BIMR Conference, Regional Secretary's report, Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference and Regional Conferences, Commonwealth activities and issues, reports from Regional Branches, and dates for next meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Joe Preston, M.P

Chair

Canadian Branch of the

Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (CPA)

Travel Costs

ASSOCIATION	Canadian Branch of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (CPA)
ACTIVITY	43 rd British Islands and Mediterranean Regional Conference
DESTINATION	Stanley, Falkland Islands
DATES	February 11-15, 2013
DELEGATION	
SENATE	
HOUSE OF COMMONS	Mr. Russ Hiebert, M.P.
STAFF	
TRANSPORTATION	\$14,974.58
ACCOMMODATION	\$0.00
HOSPITALITY	\$0.00
PER DIEMS	\$826.68
OFFICIAL GIFTS	\$124.00
MISCELLANEOUS / REGISTRATION FEES	\$0.00
TOTAL	\$15,925.26