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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, 2023, 12 parliamentary associations, plus the Canadian Delegation to the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly which falls under the Canada-Europe Parliamentary Association, were receiving funding from the Parliament of Canada and were 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 the parliamentary associations that fall under the Council, as well as their activities and expenditures for the 2022-2023 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 the associations' activities and expenditures for the fiscal year, whereas Section III provides 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 support 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 bilateral and multilateral 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, 2023, there were 12 associations, plus the Canadian Delegation to the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly which falls under the Canada-Europe Parliamentary Association. These multilateral or bilateral associations, can be found in **Table 1**, and are grouped into five regions: Global, Europe, Americas, Asia-Pacific and Africa.

There are also four <u>interparliamentary groups</u>², which can be found in **Table 1**, that have been recognized by the Parliament of Canada and help promote bilateral relations with the specific country to which they are related. These groups receive no funding from Parliament and minimal administrative support. This assistance is generally limited to administrative and procedural support for annual general meetings, maintaining the group's constitution and collecting membership fees. Interparliamentary groups promote cooperation and understanding amongst countries 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. 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 Parliamentary Diplomacy Website.

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¹ Although 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 https://www.parl.ca/diplomacy.

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

Table 1 – LIST OF PARLIAMENTARY ASSOCIATIONS AND 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 Interparliamentary 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 <u>Joint Interparliamentary Council</u> 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 association budgets, granting initial allocations in the spring and making adjustments in November following the preparation of financial forecasts by each association. In light of the limited internal capacity to support virtual meetings, the Council relieved associations of their constitutional obligations to hold annual general meetings in 2023, extending the terms of the executive committees by one year and empowering them to fill any vacancies that may occur. The Council also approved two requests to allow the Parliament of Canada to host international conferences: the 49th Annual Session of the Assemblée Parlementaire de la Francophonie in Montreal in July 2024 and the 70th Annual Session of the NATO Parliamentary Assembly in Montreal in November 2024. Lastly, the Council commenced its study of the reports of the Subcommittee on the Review of Parliament's Involvement with Associations and Recognized Interparliamentary Groups.

Members of the Joint Interparliamentary Council (on March 31, 2023)

	Senate	House of Commons
Co-Chairs:	Hon. Raymonde Saint-Germain	Chris d'Entremont
Members:	Hon. Pierre Dalphond	Michael Cooper
	Hon. Percy E. Downe	Francis Drouin
	Hon. Donald Neil Plett	Marilène Gill
		Lindsay Mathyssen
		Hon. David J. McGuinty, P.C.
		<u>Lianne Rood</u>
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Supporting Parliamentary Associations

The <u>International and Interparliamentary Affairs Directorate</u> 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 direct support through analysts who provide research and analysis services to associations. Finally, Global Affairs Canada's Parliamentary Affairs Unit is a close partner that provides support for official travel by parliamentarians, parliamentary associations and interparliamentary groups through documents, information sessions and coordination efforts with Canadian missions abroad.

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Section II: 2022-2023 Activities and Expenditures – Overview

This section includes tables and figures that present information related to the activities and expenditures of all parliamentary associations for the 2022-2023 fiscal year. It is important to distinguish between activities and travel. While activities include travel, they also include executive committee meetings, annual general meetings and hosting activities.

The end of the moratorium on the hosting of foreign delegations and international travel in March 2022 allowed parliamentarians to attend in-person activities for the first time since the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic. This provided more opportunities for Senators and Members of the House of Commons to actively participate in the exchanges of ideas, information and experiences with other legislators at an international level.

A number of parliamentary associations' activities are held outside Ottawa and abroad. The world map in **Figure 1** below shows the destinations to which the associations travelled between April 1, 2022 and March 31, 2023. During this period, associations conducted 63 travel activities compared to two during the previous fiscal year.

The work of parliamentary associations was also carried out in the virtual realm. Even though associations continued to contend with resource constraints, as there were only so many virtual or hybrid meetings that could be held at one time within the Parliamentary Precinct, associations organized and coordinated various events and activities with international colleagues, ambassadors, and other relevant stakeholders. Webinars, online workshops, virtual conferences and videoconference calls continued to be part of the work of the associations, furthering the important work of international parliamentary diplomacy.



Figure 1 – 2022-2023 PARLIAMENTARY ASSOCIATIONS TRAVEL ACTIVITIES

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Table 2 provides an overview of the activities of parliamentary associations for the 2022-2023 fiscal year. For instance, in this fiscal year, 61 delegations made up of Senators and Members of the House of Commons travelled to 31 countries while the Parliament of Canada welcomed 26 delegations from abroad.

Table 2 – 2022-2023 STATISTICS

	2021-2022	2022-2023
Senators who were members of parliamentary associations	47	56
Members of the House of Commons who were members of parliamentary	189	182
associations	189	102
Outgoing delegations	2	61
Incoming delegations (Ottawa)	4	24
Incoming delegations (outside Ottawa)	0	2
Annual general meetings ³ (AGMs)	8	0
Executive committee meetings	23	25
Countries visited	2	31
Virtual / Hybrid meetings	235	45
Webinars, virtual special events or virtual workshops	22	36

Table 3 provides data on the number of travel activities, participants in the travel activities as well as the average number of participants per travel activity. When compared to the previous fiscal year, the number of travel activities and the average number of travelling participants per travel activity have increased this fiscal year, returning to pre-pandemic levels.

Table 3 – PARTICIPATION IN PARLIAMENTARY ASSOCIATIONS TRAVEL ACTIVITIES OVER FIVE YEARS

	2018-2019	2019-2020	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023
Number of travel activities (total)	83	57	0	2	63
Number of travel activities (abroad)	72	52	0	1	54
Number of travel activities (within Canada)	11	5	0	1	9
Number of participants ⁴ in travel activities	404	257	0	3	344
Senators	98	120	0	0	79
Members of the House of Commons	215	76	0	2	183
Employees	91	61	0	1	82
Average number of travelling participants	4.87	4.51	0	1.5	5.46
per travel activity	7.07	7.51		1.5	3.40

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³ In accordance with the decision of the Joint Interparliamentary Council, of November 25, 2022, parliamentary associations did not hold AGMs in 2023.

⁴ The term participant refers to delegates (Senators and Members of the House of Commons) and employees who support delegates.

Table 4 shows a summary of the expenditures of all parliamentary associations for the past five years. For the 2022-2023 fiscal year, parliamentary associations had a budget of \$4,300,496 which is the same amount as the past five fiscal years. The contribution expenditures of \$1,572,482 show an increase of \$99,604 over the previous fiscal year. This can be explained by a slight increase of the fees assessed to Canada for membership in multilateral associations. Also, since invoices are received in foreign currencies, expenditures for contributions can vary based on fluctuating exchange rates. Total expenditures for parliamentary association activities returned to pre-pandemic level in comparison to the previous fiscal year. These expenditures represent 88% of the available funding, resulting in a balance of \$502,051 at the end of the year.

Table 4 – EXPENDITURES OF PARLIAMENTARY ASSOCIATIONS OVER FIVE YEARS

	2018-2019	2019-2020 ^E	2020-2021 ^P	2021-2022 ^{E&P}	2022-2023
Main Estimates	4,300,496	4,300,496	4,300,496	4,300,496	4,300,496
Expenditures					
Activities					
Transportation	1,657,762	1,179,116	6,862	13,386	1,487,749
Accommodation	501,622	372,123	732	1,722	454,312
Per Diems	224,582	145,010	1,313	1,168	210,505
Hospitality and Working Meals	124,727	103,198	2,640	1,114	52,328
Miscellaneous	65,784	47,558	1,846	3,186	37,409
Registration Fees	32,436	53,301	1,480	3,897	48,903
Revenues ⁵	(132,497)	(155,691)	(30,127)	(37,691)	(65,243)
Total Expenditures for Activities	2,474,416	1,744,615	(15,253)	(13,217)	2,225,963
Contributions ⁶	1,423,587	1,424,658	1,510,020	1,472,878	1,572,482
Total Expenditures	3,898,003	3,169,273	1,494,767	1,459,661	3,798,445
Budget Balance	402,493	1,131,223	2,805,729	2,840,835	502,051
Utilization Rate	91%	74%	35%	34%	88%
Expenditures for Conferences ⁷	0	232,763	28,533	110,077	177,916
Total Budget Balance	402,493	898,459	2,777,196	2,730,758	324,135

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^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.

P Pandemic year (COVID-19).

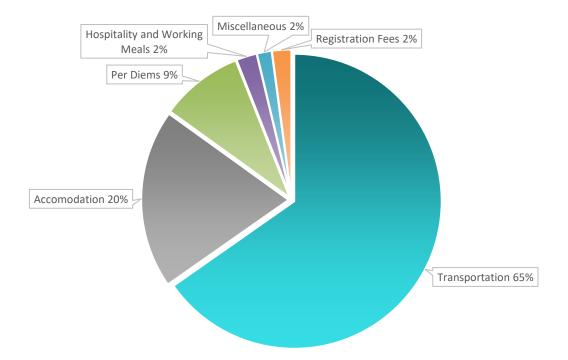
⁵ These revenues come mainly from membership fees and, in the three fiscal years with higher amounts, funding associated with hosting conferences.

⁶ The fees assessed to Canada for membership in multilateral associations shown in Canadian dollars.

⁷ A portion of the surplus under parliamentary associations during the 2022-2023 fiscal year was utilized to fund the planning phase of the 30th Annual Session of the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly in Vancouver in July 2023 and the planning phase of the 49th Annual Session of the Assemblée parlementaire de la Francophonie in Montreal in July 2024.

Figure 2 provides a comparison of the various types of expenditures. **Table 5**, **Figure 3** (including contributions) and **Figure 4** (excluding contributions), on the next pages, show the budgets, expenditures, as well as the percentage of expenditures of each association for the 2022-2023 fiscal year.

Figure 2 – PERCENTAGE OF 2022-2023 ACTIVITY EXPENDITURES BY TYPE



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Table 5 – TOTAL EXPENDITURES FOR THE 2022-2023 FISCAL YEAR

		Allocated	Amended		Expenses				
	Parliamentary Associations	Budget - Activities	Budget - Activities ⁸	Activities	Contributions	Total			
CAAF	Canada-Africa Parliamentary Association	164,000	139,000	115,364	0	115,364			
CAEU	Canada-Europe Parliamentary Association	259,000	289,000	255,449	0	255,449			
SECO	Canadian Delegation to the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly	182,000	242,000	219,756	298,328	518,083			
CAPF	Canadian Branch of the Assemblée parlementaire de la Francophonie	227,000	276,500	269,599	123,493	393,092			
ССОМ	Canadian Branch of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association	139,000	139,000	105,263	176,324	281,587			
UIPU	Canadian Group of the Inter- Parliamentary Union	241,000	256,000	212,849	503,086	715,935			
CANA	Canadian NATO Parliamentary Association	290,000	320,000	295,362	445,265	740,627			
CPAM	Canadian Section of ParlAmericas	166,000	166,000	125,915	25,988	151,903			
CACN	Canada-China Legislative Association	102,000	92,000	80,944	0	80,944			
CAFR	Canada-France Interparliamentary Group	108,000	108,000	115,138	0	115,138 ⁹			
CAJP	Canada-Japan Inter- Parliamentary Group	140,000	130,000	119,230	0	119,230			
RUUK	Canada-United Kingdom Inter- Parliamentary Association	68,000	68,000	42,585	0	42,585			
CEUS	Canada-United States Inter- Parliamentary Group	251,000	281,000	268,519	0	268,519			
ICCI	Joint Interparliamentary Council (Operating Expenses)	1,000	1,000	(10)	0	(10)			
Total ¹⁰		2,338,000	2,507,500	2,225,963	1,572,482	3,798,445			

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⁸ Accounts for Joint Interparliamentary Council approved transfers of additional funding.

⁹ Some expenses incurred for an activity occurring at the beginning of the fiscal year 2023-2024 were charged to the previous year's budget.

¹⁰ Differences in totals are due to rounding.

Figure 3 – PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL EXPENDITURES BY PARLIAMENTARY ASSOCIATION FOR THE 2022-2023 FISCAL YEAR (INCLUDING CONTRIBUTIONS)

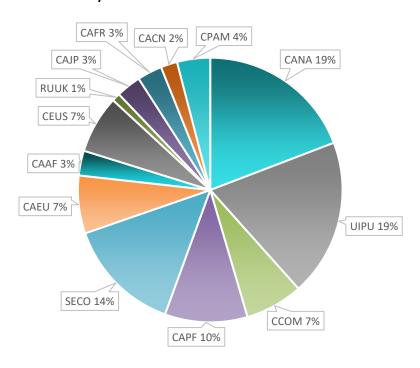
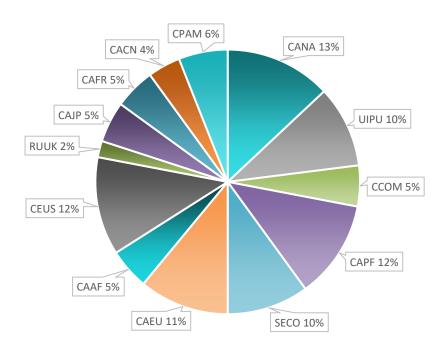


Figure 4 – PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL EXPENDITURES BY PARLIAMENTARY ASSOCIATION FOR THE 2022-2023 FISCAL YEAR (EXCLUDING CONTRIBUTIONS)



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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 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, 2023)

	Senate	House of Commons
Co-Chairs:	Hon. Amina Gerba	Brenda Shanahan
Vice-Chairs:	Hon. Salma Ataullahjan	Alexis Brunelle-Duceppe
	Hon. René Cormier	Terry Duguid
		Heather McPherson
		Hon. Robert Oliphant, P.C.
		<u>Lianne Rood</u>
Directors:	Hon. Rosemary Moodie	Valerie Bradford
	Hon. Scott Tannas	Michael Cooper
		Hon. Greg Fergus, P.C.
		Jamie Schmale

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2022-2023 Activities and Expenditures

The executive committee held a virtual meeting on April 19 to outline initiatives for the 2022-2023 fiscal year. Following that, a delegation visited Ghana from May 21 to 27. An additional executive meeting was held on August 11 to debrief on the Ghana mission. Another bilateral mission was conducted in Senegal in November. On November 21, Brenda Shanahan, Co-Chair, met with a delegation from the National Assembly of the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) to strengthen parliamentary relations between Canada and the DRC. In December, the executive committee convened to debrief on the mission to Senegal and discuss priorities for the upcoming year. Executive members engaged with a delegation from the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia on February 7. Additionally, on February 15, the association organized a plenary conference centered around the theme of "Welcome to Africa – The Building Site of the Century."

<u>Activities</u>	Participants	Transportation	Accommodation	Per Diems	Hospitality and Working Meals	Miscellaneous	Registration Fees	Total
2022-05-21 – Bilateral Mission to Ghana, Accra, Ghana	5	38,944	6,418	4,582	1,204	1,546	0	52,695
2022-11-05 – Bilateral Mission to Senegal, Dakar, Senegal	5	33,073	13,901	3,273	2,449	4,572	0	57,268
2023-02-15 – Plenary Conference "Welcome to Africa – The Building Site of the Century" and Dinner Reception, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada	53	255	433	92	3,553	2,954	0	7,287
Executive Meetings, Annual General Meeting, Hospitality and General Operating Expenses	0	0	0	0	355	234	0	589
Sub-total	0	72,272	20,752	7,947	7,562	9,306	0	117,839
Revenue (membership fees)	0	0	0	0	0	(2,475)	0	(2,475)
Total ¹¹	0	72,272	20,752	7,947	7,562	6,831	0	115,364

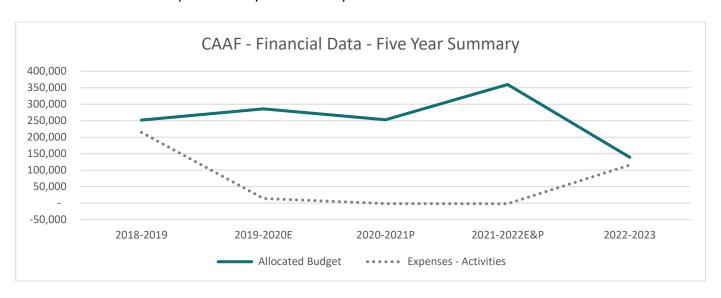
Five-Year Summary

Fiscal Year	No. of Members	Contributions
2018-2019	76	
2019-2020	77	
2020-2021	78	N/A
2021-2022	79	
2022-2023	99	

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¹¹ Differences in totals are due to rounding.

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Canada-Europe Parliamentary Association (CAEU)

Objectives

The aim of the Canada-Europe Parliamentary Association 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 Co-operation 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, 2023)

	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	Stéphane Bergeron
	Hon. Pierre Dalphond	<u>Luc Berthold</u>
	Hon. Percy E. Downe	<u>Don Davies</u>
		Yvonne Jones
		<u>Lianne Rood</u>
		Jamie Schmale
		Salma Zahid

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The association's first travel in over two years took place in June and included meetings with the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development in Paris and participation in the Third Part of the 2022 Ordinary Session of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe (PACE) in Strasbourg, France. The association also participated in the Fourth Part of the 2022 Ordinary Session of PACE in October and immediately followed this with a Parliamentary Mission to Poland.

In line with its role as the continent's leading human rights organization, the Council of Europe expelled Russia in March 2022 and took a lead role in Europe's response to Russia's full-scale invasion of Ukraine. Attendance at PACE sessions offers Canadian delegates the opportunity to discuss the collective response to Russian aggression directly with Ukrainian parliamentarians, as well as with members of other European nations on the frontlines. This allows Canadian participants to deepen their understanding of the conflict while also demonstrating Canada's commitment to the principles underlying this collective response. As PACE and the Council of Europe charter a post-Russia course, Canadian participation at PACE sessions also offers an opportunity to influence the future direction of the institution while engaging with parliamentarians on a range of topics of common interest.

Members of the association also attended the Arctic Parliamentarian Summit, held in Nuuk, Greenland in September. The Summit was attended by delegates from five Arctic States: Canada, Denmark, Finland, Iceland and Norway, as well as delegates from the European Parliament. Members of Parliament for the Government of Greenland were also in attendance, along with representatives from Indigenous and human rights organizations, including the Inuit Circumpolar Council and the Sámi Council. The Summit featured a series of debates on themes, including: Arctic democracy, Arctic women leadership, Arctic film and media, and Arctic law. The Standing Committee of Parliamentarians of the Arctic Region's meetings, as well as its biannual conferences, continue to be excellent forums for parliamentarians to present a Canadian perspective on Arctic issues and to increase collaboration between Arctic States on matters of common interest.

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¹² CAEU members have been participating as observers in PACE since 2004.

Section III: Activities and Expenditures by Parliamentary Association

		Transportation	Accommodation	Per Diems	Hospitality and Working Meals	Miscellaneous	Registration Fees	Total
2022-06-20 – Meeting with the Organization for Economic Co- operation and Development (OECD), Paris, France and 3 rd Part of the 2022 Session of the PACE, Strasbourg, France	}	51,756	11,678	9,344	286	236	0	73,299
2022-09-11 – Arctic Parliamentarians Summit – Nordic and North American Collaboration, Nuuk, Greenland	,	42,156	13,333	9,980	0	325	0	65,794
2022-10-10 — Fourth Part of the 2022 Ordinary Session of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe (PACE) and Parliamentary Mission to Poland, Strasbourg, France and Warsaw, Poland		47,372	19,896	15,965	1,342	432	0	85,006
2022-12-17 – 41 st Interparliamentary Meeting with the European Parliament's Delegation responsible for Relations with Canada, Ottawa, Canada	}	441	0	0	3,782	50	0	4,273
2023-03-09 – Meeting with Hlynur Guðjónsson, Ambassador of Iceland and Urban Ahlin, Ambassador of Sweden, Ottawa, Canada	.0	0	0	0	74	2,500	0	2,574
2023-04-24 – Second Part of the 2023 Ordinary Session of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe (PACE), Strasbourg, France ¹³)	28,404	0	0	0	0	0	28,404
Executive Meetings, Annual General Meeting, Hospitality and General Operating Expenses		0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sub-total 0		170,128	44,907	35,288	5,484	3,542	0	259,349
Revenue (membership fees) 0 Total ¹⁴ 0		0 170,128	0 44,907	0 35,288	0 5,484	(3,900) (358)	0	(3,900) 255,449

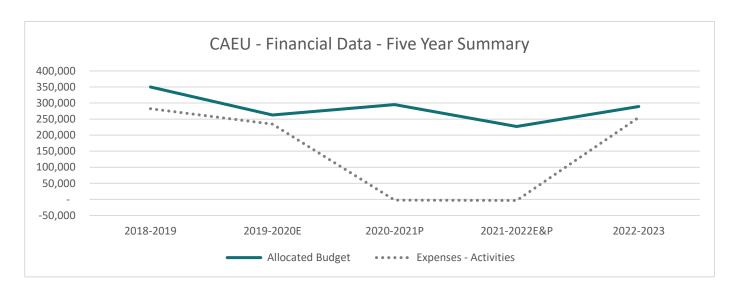
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¹³ Expenditures incurred in 2022-2023 for activity to be held in 2023-2024.

¹⁴ Differences in totals are due to rounding.

Five-Year Summary

Fiscal Year	No. of Members	Contributions
2018-2019	147	
2019-2020	154	
2020-2021	126	N/A
2021-2022	137	
2022-2023	156	



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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, 2023)

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

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2022-2023 Activities and Expenditures

During this fiscal year, the OSCE PA resumed regular, in-person activities for the first time since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic. The 29th Annual Session in Birmingham, United Kingdom was the first such activity since February 2020, seeing delegations from 51 countries coming together once again. This was followed by the Autumn and Winter sessions in Warsaw, Poland and Vienna, Austria. The Canadian delegates who participated in the three sessions intervened and contributed to discussions in Plenary Sessions and Committees on various topics to highlight Canada's views and to listen and learn from other countries' positions and views.

As well, the International Secretariat continued to engage with its members virtually by holding various Web dialogues on a wide range of topics, such as the role of the OSCE PA in addressing the conflict in Ukraine, violence against women journalists, and electoral observation.

<u>Activities</u>	Participants	Transportation	Accommodation	Per Diems	Hospitality and Working Meals	Miscellaneous	Revenue	Total
2022-07-02 – OSCE PA Annual Session, Birmingham, UK	13	87,897	19,164	8,433	0	16	(2,843)	112,667
2022-11-24 – OSCE PA Fall Session, Warsaw, Poland	6	38,621	2,813	2,402	0	1,548	0	45,382
2023-02-23 – OSCE PA Winter Session, Vienna, Austria	8	42,852	10,341	7,124	687	5	0	61,010
Executive Meetings, Annual General Meeting, Hospitality and General Operating Expenses	0	0	0	0	697	0	0	697
Sub-total	0	169,369	32,318	17,959	1,384	1,568	(2,843)	219,756
Revenue (membership fees)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total ¹⁵	0	169,369	32,318	17,959	1,384	1,568	(2,843)	219,756

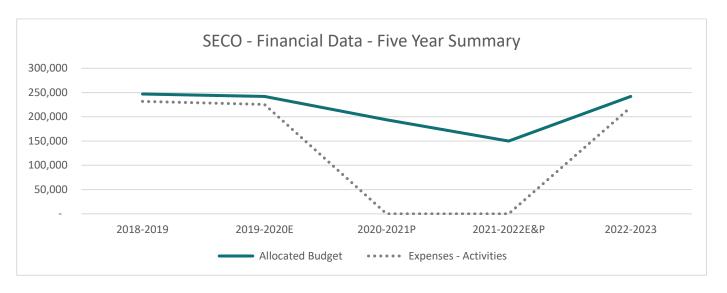
Five-Year Summary

Fiscal Year	No. of Members	Contributions
2018-2019	147	291,631
2019-2020	154	293,919
2020-2021	126	284,629
2021-2022	137	296,452
2022-2023	156	298,328

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¹⁵ Differences in totals are due to rounding.

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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* are: to encourage initiatives which promote the spread of the French language; to support 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, 2023)

	Senate	House of Commons
President:		Francis Drouin
Vice-Presidents:		<u>Darrell Samson</u>
		René Villemure
Members:	Hon. Jean-Guy Dagenais	Joël Godin
	Hon. Clément Gignac	Marie-France Lalonde
	Hon. Éric Forest	Bernard Généreux
	Hon. Léo Housakos	

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2022-2023 Activities and Expenditures

In April, the association attended meetings of the Education, Communication and Cultural Affairs Committee, the Network of Women Parliamentarians (NWP) and the Network of Young Parliamentarians in Papeete, French Polynesia. In May, a delegation was in Brussels, Belgium, for the Parliamentary Affairs Committee (PAC), and in Quebec City, for the Political Committee and the Working Group on Reforming the APF Constitution. In July, a delegation participated in the Bureau and the 47th Annual Session of the APF in Kigali, Rwanda, and the 37th Session of the America Region of the APF in Edmonton. In September, the association participated in a symposium on contested democracies in Luxembourg City, Luxembourg, and in October, in the 32nd Annual Congress of the *Fédération nationale des conseils scolaires francophones* in Whitehorse. In November and December respectively, two meetings were held in Paris, France: a meeting of the Working Group on Reforming the APF Constitution and a leadership workshop for women parliamentarians. The association also hosted a parliamentary intern in December. In January, it participated in the Bureau meeting in Papeete, French Polynesia, and in March, in a joint NWP/PAC meeting in Rabat, Morocco.

Lastly, the Chair of the association, Francis Drouin, was elected President of the APF in July 2022. He chaired the 9th Francophone Youth Parliament of Youth in Tirana, Albania, attended the launch of the International Francophone Network for Science Advice in Montreal, and of the Bodies of Law project at the United Nations (UN) Climate Change Conference in Sharm el Sheikh, Egypt, delivered the APF Opinion at the Summit of La Francophonie in Djerba, Tunisia, and carried out an exploratory parliamentary mission to the UN in New York City, United States of America.

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<u>Activities</u>	Participants	Transportation	Accommodation	Per Diems	Hospitality and Working Meals	Miscellaneous	Registration Fees	Revenues	Total
2022-04-19 – Meeting of the APF Education, Communication and Cultural Affairs Committee, Papeete, French Polynesia	1	5,592	2,628	414	0	0	0	0	8,634
2022-04-19 – Meeting of the APF Young Parliamentarians Network, Papeete, French Polynesia	1	4,129	2,548	339	0	294	0	0	7,310
2022-04-19 – Meeting of the APF Network of Parliamentarian Women, Papeete, French Polynesia	1	6,191	2,845	620	0	137	0	0	9,794
2022-04-19 – Meeting of the APF Parliamentary Affairs Committee, Papeete, French Polynesia ¹⁶	0	13,315	0	0	0	0	0	0	13,315
2022-05-12 – Working Group on Reforming the APF Constitution and Meeting of the APF Political Committee, Québec, Québec, Canada	7	792	1,770	545	0	0	0	0	3,106
2022-05-23 – Meeting of the APF Parliamentary Affairs Committee, Brussels, Belgium	3	19,346	4,250	1,771	0	192	0	0	25,559
2022-07-05 – Bureau Meeting #1 and 47 th Annual Session, Kigali, Rwanda	8	56,016	15,824	4,938	834	951	0	0	78,563
2022-07-18 – 37 th Session of the America Region of the APF, Edmonton, Alberta	7	3,335	1,525	641	0	0	1,400	0	6,901
2022-07-25 – 9 th Edition of the Francophone Parliament of Youth, Tirana, Albania	1	7,631	0	662	95	252	0	0	8,640
2022-09-14 – Symposium of the APF on Contested Democracies, Luxembourg, Luxembourg	1	12	0	220	0	0	0	0	232

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¹⁶ Activity cancelled.

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<u>Activities</u>	Participants	Transportation	Accommodation	Per Diems	Hospitality and Working Meals	Miscellaneous	Registration Fees	Revenues	Total
2022-10-20 – 32 nd Annual Congress of the "Fédération nationale des conseils scolaires francophones" (FNCSF), Whitehorse, Yukon	1	0	0	0	0	0	650	0	650
2022-11-03 – Working Group on Reforming the APF Constitution, Paris, France	2	6,749	2,519	1,244	0	0	0	(500)	10,012
2022-11-10 – United Nations Climate Change Conference (UNFCC COP 27), Sharm, el- Sheikh, Egypt	1	6,539	0	113	0	0	0	(6,384)	268
2022-11-18 – XVIIIth Summit of la Francophonie, Djerba, Tunisia	2	10,556	165	1,786	0	180	0	(3,162)	9,526
2022-12-12 – Leadership Workshop for Parliamentarians Women of the APF, Paris, France	1	2,295	3,033	1,471	0	0	0	0	6,798
2023-01-29 – Bureau Meeting the APF, Papeete, French Polynesia	4	18,125	8,498	1,162	0	285	0	0	28,071
2023-03-01 – Meeting of the APF Parliamentary Affairs Committee, Rabat, Morocco	2	6,912	2,909	1,097	0	0	0	0	10,918
2023-03-01 – Meeting of the APF Network of Women Parliamentarians, Rabat, Morocco	2	6,841	2,909	1,167	0	0	0	0	10,918
2023-03-14 – Parliamentary Mission to the United Nations, New York, New York	4	5,736	2,186	1,594	334	0	0	0	9,850
2023-04-17 – Meeting of the APF Political Committee and the Working Group on Reforming the APF Constitution, Paris, France ¹⁷	2	13,968	0	0	0	0	0	0	13,968

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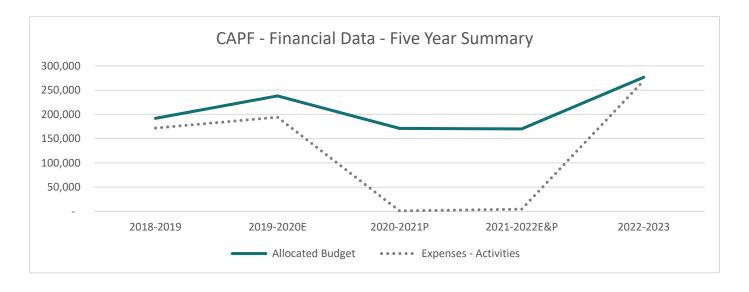
 $^{^{17}}$ Expenditures incurred in 2022-2023 for activity to be held in 2023-2024.

Section III: Activities and Expenditures by Parliamentary Association

<u>Activities</u>	Participants	Transportation	Accommodation	Per Diems	Hospitality and Working Meals	Miscellaneous	Registration Fees	Revenues	Total
Executive Meetings, Annual General Meeting, Hospitality and General Operating Expenses	0	0	0	0	6,632	1,810	0	0	8,442
Sub-total	0	194,081	53,608	19,784	7,895	4,101	2,050	(10,046)	271,474
Revenue (membership fees)	0	0	0	0	0	(1,875)	0	0	(1,875)
Total ¹⁸	0	194,081	53,608	19,784	7,895	2,226	2,050	(10,046)	269,599

Five-Year Summary

Fiscal Year	No. of Members	Contributions
2018-2019	53	124,639
2019-2020	63	127,107
2020-2021	65	131,799
2021-2022	63	131,942
2022-2023	75	123,493



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 $^{^{\}rm 18}$ Differences in totals are due to rounding.



Canadian Branch of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (CCOM)

Objectives

The Canadian Branch of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association 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 (CPA) 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.

Members of the Executive Committee (on March 31, 2023)

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

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2022-2023 Activities and Expenditures

The association participated in regional and specialized conferences and seminars, and completed a bilateral visit. In July, the association took part in the CPA Regional Conference in Charlottetown, and was very active at these meetings, not only during the conference, but also during the activities of the Commonwealth Women Parliamentarians Canada Region. In August, a large delegation represented the Canadian Branch at the 65th Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference in Halifax. The Canadian Region hosted this conference, which was held in Canada for the first time since 2004. The association also took part in the regional seminar in Whitehorse. In January, the association made a bilateral visit to the United Kingdom, in London and Cardiff, to continue strengthening the relationship with its counterparts. This visit enabled delegates to discuss matters of common interest, consider the future of the CPA and foster professional ties. As usual in March, the association sent parliamentarians to London for training on Westminster practices.

<u>Activities</u>	Participants	Transportation	Accommodation	Per Diems	Hospitality and Working Meals	Miscellaneous	Registration Fees	Revenues	Total
2022-07-16 – 58 th Regional Conference, Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island	6	2,071	5,780	1,399	0	0	2,100	(1,787)	9,563
2022-08-20 – 65 th CPA International Parliamentary Conference, Halifax, Nova Scotia	15	12,140	20,064	3,964	0	5	6,250	(12,705)	29,719
2022-10-13 – 42 nd Canadian Regional Parliamentary Seminar, Yellowknife, Northwest Territories	2	0	984	61	0	0	600	0	1,645
2023-01-16 – Bilateral Visit to United Kingdom, England and Wales	9	23,737	18,254	10,446	0	321	0	0	52,757
2023-03-13 – 71 st Westminster Seminar, London, United Kingdom	2	6,073	4,796	2,271	0	0	970	0	14,111
2023-07-22 – 59 th Canadian Regional Conference, Regina, Saskatchewan ¹⁹	0	1,068	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,068

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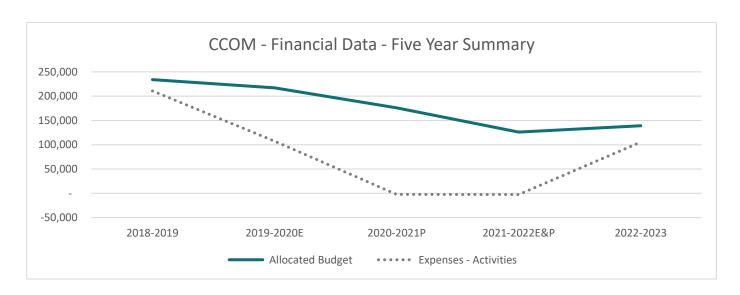
¹⁹ Expenditures incurred in 2022-2023 for activity to be held in 2023-2024.

Section III: Activities and Expenditures by Parliamentary Association

<u>Activities</u>	Participants	Transportation	Accommodation	Per Diems	Hospitality and Working Meals	Miscellaneous	Registration Fees	Revenues	Total
Executive Meetings, Annual General Meeting, Hospitality and General Operating Expenses	0	0	0	0	0	33	0	(33)	0
Sub-total	0	45,089	49,879	18,141	0	358	9,920	(14,524)	108,863
Revenue (membership fees)	0	0	0	0	0	(3,600)	0	0	(3,600)
Total ²⁰	0	45,089	49,879	18,141	0	(3,242)	9,920	(14,524)	105,263

Five-Year Summary

Fiscal Year	No. of Members	Contributions
2018-2019	139	167,111
2019-2020	118	171,447
2020-2021	122	176,512
2021-2022	114	178,703
2022-2023	144	176,324



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²⁰ Differences in totals are due to rounding.



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 association's delegations are to represent the values, interests and points of view of the Parliament of Canada in this forum.

Members of the Executive Committee (on March 31, 2023)

	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. Greg Fergus, P.C.
	Hon. Mohamed-Iqbal Ravalia	<u>Iqra Khalid</u>
	Hon. Raymonde Saint-Germain	Stephanie Kusie
		Andréanne Larouche
		Lindsay Mathyssen
		Hon. Michelle Rempel Garner, P.C.
		Jamie Schmale
		Brenda Shanahan

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2022-2023 Activities and Expenditures

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. The association participated in the 145th Assembly in Kigali, Rwanda in October and the 146th Assembly in Manama, Bahrain, in March. Delegates participated in the General Debates on the themes of "Gender equality and gender-sensitive parliaments as drivers of change for a more resilient and peaceful world" and "Promoting peaceful coexistence and inclusive societies: Fighting intolerance." Delegates also successfully proposed amendments to resolutions on international migration, cybercrime, and carbon-negative forests. Canada chaired the drafting committees for resolutions condemning Russia's invasion of Ukraine and calling for action on serious humanitarian crises.

The association also participated in three IPU activities in New York related to the work of the United Nations (UN) system. In July, delegates attended the Parliamentary Forum at the United Nations High-Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development, which considered progress on achieving the Sustainable Development Goals. In February, delegates participated in the Annual Parliamentary Hearing at the United Nations, which focused on management of water resources in the context of the UN Water Conference. In March, the association attended a joint IPU-UN Women Parliamentary Meeting on "The role of parliaments in advancing gender equality through technology."

In addition to the in-person events, association members participated in virtual workshops, seminars, panel discussions, and conferences on a variety of themes including climate change, disarmament, health, internet governance, political participation, and sustainable development.

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<u>Activities</u>	Participants	Transportation	Accommodation	Per Diems	Hospitality and Working Meals	Miscellaneous	Registration Fees	Total
2022-06-15 – Eighth Global Conference of Young Parliamentarians, Sharm el-Sheikh, Egypt ²¹	1	77	0	0	0	0	0	77
2022-07-12 – Parliamentary Forum at the UN High-Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development, New York, New York, United States of America	3	2,941	972	733	0	0	0	4,646
2022-10-11 – 145 th IPU Assembly and related meetings, Kigali, Rwanda	9	58,105	16,541	4,821	0	1,783	0	81,249
2023-02-13 – Annual Parliamentary Hearing at the United Nations: Water for people and planet: stop the waste, change the game, invest in the future, New York, New York, United States of America	8	10,107	6,344	4,677	0	119	0	21,247
2023-03-07 – Parliamentary Meeting on the occasion of the 67 th Session of the Commission on the Status of Women, New York, New York, United States of America	4	4,970	3,658	1,152	0	19	0	9,799
2023-03-11 – 146 th IPU Assembly and related meetings, Manama, Bahrain	9	71,636	13,409	12,980	0	522	0	98,546
Executive Meetings, Annual General Meeting, Hospitality and General Operating Expenses	0	0	0	0	0	60	0	60
Sub-total Sub-total	0	147,836	40,924	24,363	0	2,502	0	215,624
Revenue (membership fees)	0	0	0	0	0	(2,775)	0	(2,775)
Total ²²	0	147,836	40,924	24,363	0	(273)	0	212,849

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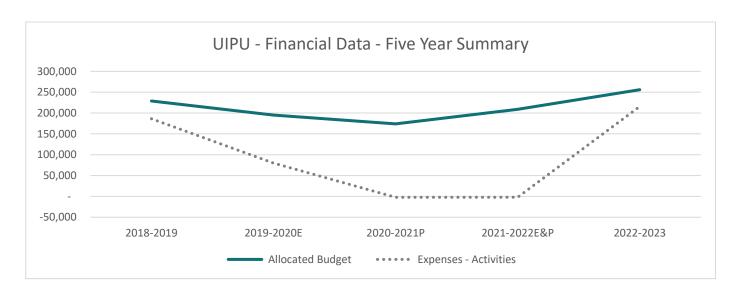
²¹ Activity cancelled.

²² Differences in totals are due to rounding.

Section III: Activities and Expenditures by Parliamentary Association

Five-Year Summary

Fiscal Year	No. of Members	Contributions
2018-2019	83	433,422
2019-2020	82	436,542
2020-2021	93	468,027
2021-2022	84	447,309
2022-2023	111	503,086



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Canadian NATO Parliamentary Association (CANA)

Objectives

The Canadian NATO Parliamentary Association aims to increase knowledge of the work of North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) and the NATO Parliamentary Assembly (NATO PA) among its members and the public. It also provides Canadian parliamentarians with the opportunity to participate in NATO PA activities and to make and maintain contact with their counterparts from other NATO countries.

The NATO PA is an inter-parliamentary organization that brings together parliamentarians from the national parliaments of the 31 NATO member countries, as well as from 10 NATO PA associate countries. The NATO PA's work deals with social, cultural, political, and economic questions, as well as military matters, all of which are of vital concern as NATO seeks to address new and emerging defence and security challenges. NATO PA delegates participate in Spring and Annual sessions, as well as other meetings and information exchanges with colleagues throughout Europe and North America but also in Asia and Africa.

Members of the Executive Committee (on March 31, 2023)

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

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Association delegates attended many annual NATO PA activities, including the 2022 Spring Standing Committee Meeting in Greece, the 2022 Spring Session in Lithuania, and the 68th Annual Session in Spain. It is at this session that the Chair of the association announced that Canada will host the NATO PA's 70th Annual Session in Montreal, Quebec, in November 2024. Association members also attended the 22nd Parliamentary Transatlantic Forum in Washington, D.C., the 2023 Joint meetings of three NATO PA committees in Belgium and the 2023 Spring Standing Committee Meeting in Norway. Finally, a delegate travelled to Denmark and Greenland to participate in a joint visit of two NATO PA subcommittees.

The subjects discussed at these events included the war in Ukraine, the 2022 NATO Strategic Concept, the accession of Finland and Sweden to NATO, China's assertiveness and the Indo-Pacific region, nuclear policies and deterrence, and Arctic Security.

<u>Activities</u>	Participants	Transportation	Accommodation	Per Diems	Hospitality and Working Meals	Miscellaneous	Registration Fees	Total
2022-04-09 – Bureau and Standing Committee Meetings, Athens, Greece	2	17,210	1,621	787	611	0	0	20,229
2022-05-25 – Spring Session, Vilnius, Lithuania	10	84,575	7,129	6,916	180	0	0	98,800
2022-09-12 – Joint CDSRCS and DSCTC Visit to Denmark, Copenhagen and Greenland	1	5,436	1,361	1,246	0	0	0	8,043
2022-11-18 – Annual Session, Madrid, Spain	11	29,641	10,960	9,807	0	17	0	50,425
2022-12-05 – Parliamentary Transatlantic Forum, Washington, DC	6	7,298	7,879	2,495	0	0	1,302	18,974
2023-02-19 – Joint Committee Meeting of the Defence and Security Committee (DSCFC), the Economics and Security Committee (ESCEW), and the Political Committee (PC), Brussels, Belgium	10	63,261	12,798	6,575	0	71	0	82,705
2023-03-25 – Spring Standing Committee Meeting, Oslo, Norway	2	17,403	1,376	910	0	0	0	19,689
Executive Meetings, Annual General Meeting, Hospitality and General Operating Expenses	0	0	0	0	273	0	0	273
Sub-total Sub-total	0	224,823	43,125	28,735	1,064	88	1,302	299,137
Revenue (membership fees) Total ²³	0	0 224,823	0 43,125	0 28,735	0 1,064	(3,775) (3,687)	0 1,302	(3,775) 295,362

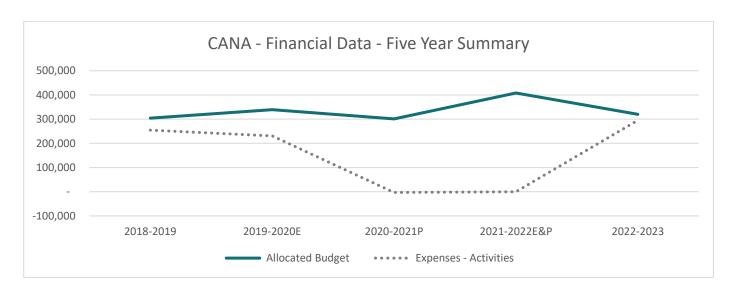
²³ Differences in totals are due to rounding.

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Five-Year Summary

Fiscal Year	No. of Members	Contributions
2018-2019	286	381,126
2019-2020	175	369,783
2020-2021	121	424,061
2021-2022	118	393,720
2022-2023	151	445,265



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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 are to:

- promote parliamentary participation in the inter-American system and to contribute to interparliamentary dialogue;
- maintain contact with parliamentary representatives of member states of the Organization of American States (OAS); and
- meet periodically with all such representatives, for joint public discussions of common problems and
 priorities, including those related to ParlAmericas' three thematic networks: the Open Parliament Network,
 the Parliamentary Network on Climate Change and the Parliamentary Network for Gender Equality.

Members of the Executive Committee (on March 31, 2023)

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

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In June, a delegation attended the 9th Summit of the Americas and participated in the Parliamentary Gathering on the Occasion of the 9th Summit of the Americas on topics including parliamentary diplomacy democratic governance, energy transition, and digital transformation. That same month, the association hosted a reception on Parliament Hill for Ambassadors and High Commissioners of ParlAmericas' member countries. In June and July, a delegation participated virtually in the 6th Gathering of ParlAmericas Parliamentary Network on Climate Change.

In November, a member participated in the GLOBE Legislators Summit in Cairo, Egypt, which coincided with the 27th United Nations Climate Change Conference (COP27). Also in November, members took part virtually in a policy dialogue to discuss regional co-operation on migration in North and Central America. In November and December, a delegation participated in the 19th ParlAmericas Plenary Assembly and 14th Gathering of ParlAmericas Gender Equality Network in Bogota, Colombia, on the topic of inclusive economic growth and the care economy.

In January, the association Chair met virtually with the Ambassador of Peru to discuss the state of emergency declared in that country in December. In March, a delegation participated in a videoconference on mobilizing parliaments to address climate migration. In April, a delegation participated in the 6th Gathering of the Open Parliament Network, on the theme of strengthening democracy in Santiago, Chile.

In addition, members participated in four ParlAmericas Board of Directors meetings to discuss governance, finances, strategy, and activities for the current year, and also participated in an executive committee meeting for the ParlAmercias Parliamentary Network on Climate Change.

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<u>Activities</u>	Participants	Transportation	Accommodation	Per Diems	Hospitality and Working Meals	Miscellaneous	Registration Fees	Total
2022-06-06 – Parliamentary Meeting on the Occasion of the 9th Summit of the Americas, Los Angeles, USA	7	12,477	6,695	3,101	717	426	0	23,417
2022-11-07 – GLOBE COP27 Legislators Summit, Cairo, Egypt	1	1	315	284	0	0	0	600
2022-11-29 – 19th ParlAmericas Plenary Assembly and 14th Gathering of the ParlAmericas Parliamentary Network for Gender Equality, Bogota, Colombia	7	19,501	2,240	2,686	22	450	0	24,899
2023-04-20 – 7th Gathering of the ParlAmericas Open Parliament Network, Santiago, Chile ²⁴	10	78,512	0	0	0	0	0	78,512
Executive Meetings, Annual General Meeting, Hospitality and General Operating Expenses	0	102	0	0	730	306	0	1,138
Sub-total Sub-total	0	110,593	9,249	6,071	1,469	1,182	0	128,565
Revenue (membership fees) Total ²⁵	0	0 110,593	9 ,24 9	0 6,071	0 1,469	(2,650) (1,468)	0	(2,650) 125,915

Five-Year Summary

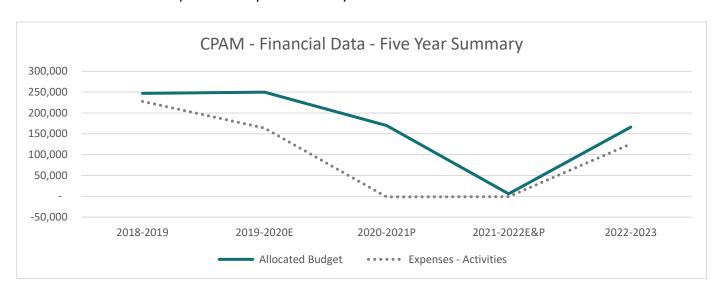
Fiscal Year	No. of Members	Contributions
2018-2019	109	25,658
2019-2020	102	25,861
2020-2021	95	24,993
2021-2022	86	24,753
2022-2023	106	25,988

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²⁴ Expenditures incurred in 2022-2023 for activity to be held in 2023-2024.

²⁵ Differences in totals are due to rounding.

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Canada-China Legislative Association (CACN)

Objectives

The Canada-China Legislative Association 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, 2023)

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

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In collaboration with the Canada-Japan Inter-parliamentary Group, the association sent a large delegation from both the Senate and the House of Commons to attend the 30th Annual Meeting of the Asia-Pacific Parliamentary Forum in October in Bangkok, Thailand, attending the working groups and committees for drafting resolutions, as well as meeting with other delegations. They similarly participated in the 43rd General Assembly of the ASEAN Inter-Parliamentary Assembly in Phnom Penh, Cambodia in November.

<u>Activities</u>	Participants	Transportation	Accommodation	Per Diems	Hospitality and Working Meals	Miscellaneous	Registration Fees	Total
2022-10-26 – 30th Annual Meeting of the Asia-Pacific Parliamentary Forum, Bangkok, Thailand ²⁶	11	52,355	5,349	3,100	0	74	0	60,877
2022-11-20 – 43rd General Assembly of the ASEAN Interparliamentary Assembly, Phnom Penh, Cambodia ²⁶	5	15,608	3,571	2,057	0	506	0	21,742
Executive Meetings, Annual General Meeting, Hospitality and General Operating Expenses	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sub-total	0	67,963	8,920	5,156	0	580	0	82,619
Revenue (membership fees)	0	0	0	0	0	(1,675)	0	(1,675)
Total ²⁷	0	67,963	8,920	5,156	0	(1,095)	0	80,944

Five-Year Summary

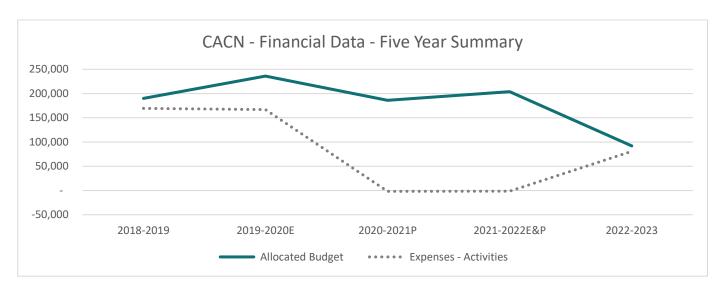
Fiscal Year	No. of Members	Contributions
2018-2019	72	
2019-2020	94	
2020-2021	69	N/A
2021-2022	52	
2022-2023	67	

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²⁶ Joint activity with CAJP.

²⁷ Differences in totals are due to rounding.

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Canada-France Interparliamentary Association (CAFR)

Objectives

The Canada-France Interparliamentary Association 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, 2023)

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

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On October 6, the French Ambassador to Canada, Michel Miraillet, hosted a reception at the French Embassy for the executive committee. The 48th annual meeting of the association was held from October 10 to 15, in British Columbia, under the themes of cultural diversity in the digital world and the ecological transition and clean technologies. The delegation, composed of French and Canadian parliamentarians, participated in working sessions, and met with the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia, provincial ministers, and various local stakeholders. The delegation also met British Columbia's Francophone community and participated in activities related to Indigenous peoples. On October 16, the association Chair participated, in Ottawa, in the inauguration of the AMICITIA Monument, dedicated to the friendship and diplomatic relations between France and Canada. On February 2, the association held a reception in honor of the French Ambassador to Canada. Finally, on March 29, the French Ambassador to Canada received the members of the Canadian delegation participating in the 49th Annual Meeting in France scheduled in April 2023.

<u>Activities</u>	Participants	Transportation	Accommodation	Per Diems	Hospitality and Working Meals	Miscellaneous	Registration Fees	Total
2022-10-10 – 48th Annual Meeting, Vancouver and Whistler, British- Colombia, Canada	10	23,733	24,703	3,951	14,571	5,366	0	72,325
2023-04-01 – 49th Annual Meeting, Ile-de-France and Normandy, France ²⁸	10	44,339	0	0	0	225	0	44,564
Executive Meetings, Annual General Meeting, Hospitality and General Operating Expenses	0	0	0	0	574	0	0	574
Sub-total	0	68,072	24,703	3,951	15,145	5,591	0	117,463
Revenue (membership fees)	0	0	0	0	0	(2,325)	0	(2,325)
Total ²⁹	0	68,072	24,703	3,951	15,145	3,266	0	115,138

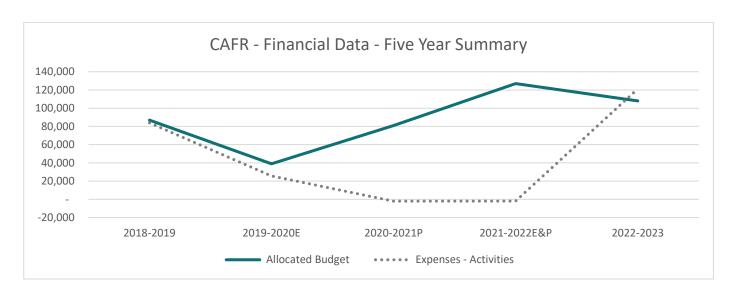
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²⁸ Expenditures incurred in 2022-2023 for activity to be held in 2023-2024.

²⁹ Differences in totals are due to rounding.

Five-Year Summary

Fiscal Year	No. of Members	Contributions
2018-2019	66	
2019-2020	72	
2020-2021	80	N/A
2021-2022	72	
2022-2023	93	



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Canada-Japan Inter-Parliamentary Group (CAJP)

Objectives

The Canada-Japan Inter-Parliamentary Group 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, 2023)

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

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The association's executive committee hosted a lunch in June with His Excellency Kanji Yamanouchi, Ambassador of Japan to Canada, to welcome him to Canada and his new role. In October, the co-chairs resumed their annual visits to Japan, travelling for the first time since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic. They visited Tokyo and Osaka, meeting with Diet members, including those of the Japan-Canada Diet Friendship League, civil society stakeholders, diplomats, and military personnel from Canada and its allies present in Japan. Later that month, in collaboration with the Canada-Japan Inter-parliamentary Group, the association sent a large delegation from both the Senate and the House of Commons to attend the 30th Annual Meeting of the Asia-Pacific Parliamentary Forum in Bangkok, Thailand, attending the working groups and committees for drafting resolutions, as well as meeting with other delegations. They similarly participated in the 43rd General Assembly of the ASEAN Inter-Parliamentary Assembly in Phnom Penh, Cambodia in November. Throughout the year, members of the association maintained an active and open relationship with the Ambassador and staff of the Embassy of Japan in Canada, including attending the celebrations of the Emperor's Birthday that were organized in February.

<u>Activities</u>	Participants	Transportation	Accommodation	Per Diems	Hospitality and Working Meals	Miscellaneous	Registration Fees	Total
2022-10-15 – Co-Chairs' Annual Visit to Japan, Tokyo and Osaka, Japan	3	24,344	6,072	2,448	1,638	4,679	0	39,180
2022-10-26 – 30th Annual Meeting of the Asia-Pacific Parliamentary Forum, Bangkok, Thailand ³⁰	11	46,035	5,212	5,249	0	124	0	56,619
2022-11-20 – 43rd General Assembly of the ASEAN Interparliamentary Assembly, Phnom Penh, Cambodia ³⁰	5	24,264	893	0	0	0	0	25,157
Executive Meetings, Annual General Meeting, Hospitality and General Operating Expenses	0	33	0	0	816	0	0	849
Sub-total	0	94,676	12,177	7,697	2,454	4,803	0	121,805
Revenue (membership fees)	0	0	0	0	0	(2,575)	0	(2,575)
Total ³¹	0	94,676	12,177	7,697	2,454	2,228	0	119,230

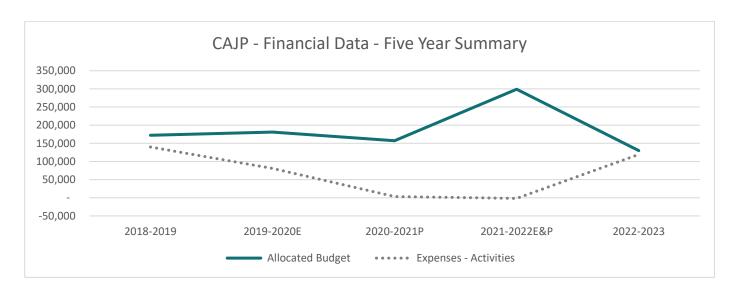
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³⁰ Joint activity with CACN.

³¹ Differences in totals are due to rounding.

Five-Year Summary

Fiscal Year	No. of Members	Contributions
2018-2019	72	
2019-2020	74	
2020-2021	82	N/A
2021-2022	78	
2022-2023	103	



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Canada-United Kingdom Inter-Parliamentary Association (RUUK)

Objectives

The Canada-United Kingdom Inter-Parliamentary Association 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, 2023)

	Senate	House of Commons
Chair:		James Maloney
Vice-Chairs:	<u>Hon. Tony Dean</u>	Hon. John McKay, P.C.
Members:	Hon. Patricia Bovey	<u>John Barlow</u>
	Hon. Leo Housakos	Michael Barrett
		<u>Daniel Blaikie</u>
		Kody Blois
		Jean-Denis Garon
		Matt Jeneroux

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In April, the executive committee met virtually to outline initiatives for the 2022-2023 fiscal year. They held a virtual briefing on April 21, facilitated by Global Affairs Canada, to gain insights into United Kingdom (UK) issues for an upcoming mission in Fall 2023. On May 5, the association hosted a luncheon honoring Her Excellency Ms. Susannah Goshko, British High Commissioner to Canada, renewing the dialogue from the last meeting in December 2021. Executive committee members welcomed a delegation from the Falkland Islands on June 16, learning about their unique history and culture. A delegation of parliamentarians and staff visited the UK (London and Belfast) in October. Afterward, the executive committee debriefed on November 28, and met with Ms. Goshko on November 29, to discuss the successful mission and share their experiences. On February 7, the association organized a breakfast reception honoring Ms. Goshko, with distinguished guests such as Emma Wade-Smith, His Majesty's Trade Commissioner for North America, and UK Consul General in New York.

<u>Activities</u>	Participants	Transportation	Accommodation	Per Diems	Hospitality and Working Meals	Miscellaneous	Registration Fees	Total
2022-10-24 – Bilateral Visit to the United Kingdom, London, England and Belfast, Northern Ireland	9	19,783	15,626	7,231	856	634	0	44,132
Executive Meetings, Annual General Meeting, Hospitality and General Operating Expenses	0	23	0	0	1,603	352	0	1,978
Sub-total	0	19,806	15,626	7,231	2,460	986	0	46,110
Revenue (membership fees)	0	0	0	0	0	(3,525)	0	(3,525)
Total ³²	0	19,806	15,626	7,231	2,460	(2,539)	0	42,585

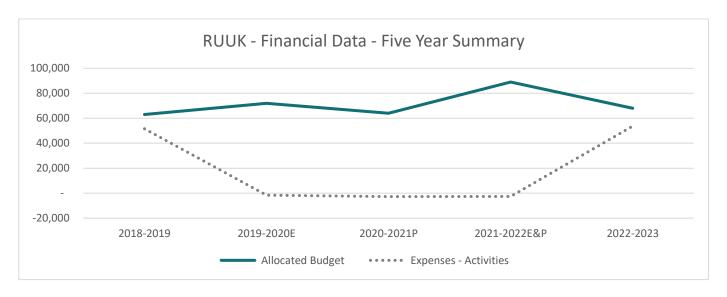
Five-Year Summary

Fiscal Year	No. of Members	Contributions
2018-2019	109	
2019-2020	103	
2020-2021	109	N/A
2021-2022	105	
2022-2023	141	

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³² Differences in totals are due to rounding.

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Canada-United States Inter-Parliamentary Group (CEUS)

Objectives

The aim of the Canada-United States Inter-Parliamentary Group 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, the association 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, 2023)

	Senate	House of Commons
Co-Chairs:	Hon. Michael L. MacDonald	Hon. John McKay, P.C.
Mina Chaire	Ham Jama Cambi	Venes Padamen
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
		<u>Lianne Rood</u>
		Simon-Pierre Savard-Tremblay
		Francesco Sorbara

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The association attended three Congressional Visits in May, September, and February. The delegations held numerous meetings in Washington, D.C., with both Senators and Congressional Representatives. The meetings focused on issues such as trade, commerce, energy, environment and defense. Throughout the months of July, August, and December, the association attended various conferences across both countries that were hosted by the Council of State Governments, the National Governors Association, the Pacific Northwest Economic Region, and the National Conference of State Legislatures, which featured discussions on a range of policy interests and critical topics. In May, David L. Cohen, the US Ambassador to Canada, hosted a luncheon for the Canadian delegation in advance of their Congressional visit. Further, in November, the association hosted Maryscott Greenwood, the CEO of the Canadian-American Business Council, to discuss important themes related to the U.S mid-term elections.

<u>Activities</u>	Participants	Transportation	Accommodation	Per Diems	Hospitality and Working Meals	Miscellaneous	Registration Fees	Revenues	Total
2022-05-23 – Congressional visit to Washington D.C.	8	11,228	9,391	3,848	3,201	1,411	0	(1,217)	27,863
2022-07-09 – Council of State Government (CSG) South Southern Legislative Annual Conference, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma	1	2,036	1,561	883	0	0	730	0	5,209
2022-07-10 – Council of State Government (CSG) Midwestern Legislative Conference, Wichita, Kansas	1	1,825	1,270	374	0	0	690	0	4,159
2022-07-13 – National Governors' Association Annual Meeting, Portland, Maine	5	7,269	9,352	2,084	0	0	9,268	0	27,973
2022-07-19 – Council of State Governments (CSG) - Western Legislative Conference Annual National Meeting, Boise, Idaho	1	2,339	1,341	512	0	0	566	0	4,759
2022-07-24 – Pacific Northwest Economic Region (PNWER) Annual Summit, Calgary, Alberta	16	9,175	8,043	2,647	0	0	11,649	(1,102)	30,411

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<u>Activities</u>	Participants	Transportation	Accommodation	Per Diems	Hospitality and Working Meals	Miscellaneous	Registration Fees	Revenues	Total
2022-08-01 – National Conference of State Legislatures - Annual Meeting, Denver, Colorado	8	13,325	10,290	4,069	0	0	6,724	0	34,407
2022-08-14 – Council of State Governments (CSG) - Eastern Regional Conference - Annual Meeting, Manchester, New Hampshire	1	1,197	1,104	447	0	0	503	0	3,250
2022-09-12 – Congressional visit to Washington D.C.	10	15,727	21,468	4,701	1,566	77	0	0	43,539
2022-12-07 – Council of State Governments (CSG) - National Annual Meeting, Honolulu, Hawaii	7	26,967	15,325	4,197	1,155	13	5,501	0	53,158
2023-02-06 – Congressional Visit to Washington, D.C.	10	11,951	18,979	4,420	0	0	0	0	35,350
Executive Meetings, Annual General Meeting, Hospitality and General Operating Expenses	0	0	0	0	1,489	1,300	0	0	2,789
Sub-total	0	103,039	98,124	28,182	7,411	2,801	35,631	(2,319)	272,867
Revenue (membership fees)	0	0	0	0	0	(4,350)	0	0	(4,350)
Total ³³	0	103,039	98,124	28,182	7,411	(1,549)	35,631	(2,319)	268,517

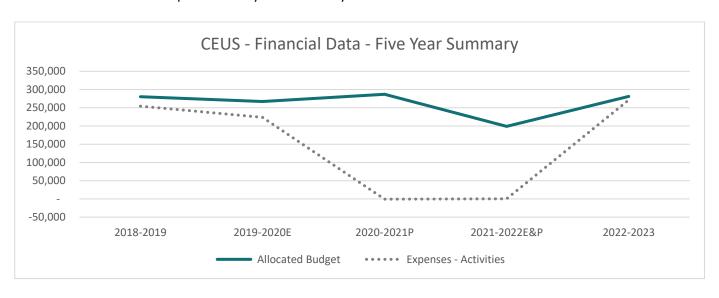
Five-Year Summary

Fiscal Year	No. of Members	Contributions
2018-2019	147	
2019-2020	148	
2020-2021	123	N/A
2021-2022	144	
2022-2023	174	

 $^{^{\}rm 33}$ Differences in totals are due to rounding.

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