

CANADA'S ACCOMPLISHMENTS UNDER THE GLOBAL PARTNERSHIP



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INTRODUCTION

After the establishment of the Global Partnership in 2002, Canada's initial efforts focused on establishing the necessary legal frameworks and implementation arrangements to enable projects to be undertaken in Russia, creating the domestic support structure and monitoring framework for a program consistent with the Government of Canada's highest standards of stewardship and probity, and developing projects consistent with Canadian priorities as well as the international relationships needed for their implementation.

The Global Partnership Bureau is now composed of over 35 staff members. It was established in September 2002 within Foreign Affairs and International Trade Canada (DFAIT). It incorporates technical expertise as well as experience in non-proliferation, disarmament and counterterrorism. In addition, there is an office at the Canadian Embassy in Moscow, consisting of four staff members to deal directly with the Russian government and Global Partnership stakeholders.

To effectively carry out a wide range of projects, Canada's GPP makes use of various delivery mechanisms, including working in partnership with other countries and with international organizations. The result is a truly cooperative international program that makes effective use of resources.

Canada played a pivotal role as host of the 2002 G8 Summit in Kananaskis in establishing the Global Partnership, and has since continued to demonstrate leadership. Canada was instrumental in efforts to encourage non-G8 countries to participate in the Global Partnership. To date, 13 new countries have joined the Global



Global Partnership Program team based in Moscow, Russia

MOSCOW BASED TEAM OF THE GLOBAL PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM

Large geographic distances and cultural differences can make project implementation difficult. An essential element of the Global Partnership Program's successful project implementation is the dedicated team located in the Canadian Embassy in Moscow. This team, consisting of Canadian foreign service officers and locally engaged program officers, allows program managers located in Canada to keep their fingers on the pulse of their projects. The Moscow Global Partnership Program office is responsible for monitoring and managing projects, maintaining regular contact with Russian partners, supporting visits of project managers to Russia and facilitating program success. The Moscow office is a resource for both the Canadian and Russian partners.