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Who is responsible for implementing consolidation?

The Personnel Management Committee (PMC) has been reconstituted as the main focus for consolidation. It has been created as a subcommittee of ICER, and reports to the Committee of ADMs and to ICER Deputies. It is convened by the Chairman of the ADM Committee of ICER, with departments and agencies represented by officials of Director-General rank.

What is the Membership of the PMC?

Membership includes the members of ICER (i.e. External Affairs, ITC, CEIC and CIDA, PCO, TB, DND and RCMP). PSC has been invited to participate, as have all other departments having foreign interests.

What is the structure of the PMC?

The PMC will operate through three interdepartmental task forces:

1. Restructuring Task Force. To handle the complex question of FS levels. This will involve a restructuring of the FS group to a larger number of grades, roughly in parallel with those in the domestic service. At the senior levels, the FS group will be directly linked with the Management Category in the Public Service as a whole.
2. Consolidation Task Force. To deal with all the elements of the transfer of positions and people to External Affairs and the mechanisms for the secondment of persons to positions on the External Affairs establishment, as well as the recruitment training, assignment and promotion of Foreign Service officers.
3. Administrative Infrastructure Task Force. To concern itself with the support of operations abroad (e.g. benefits, allowances, accommodation, logistics etc) and the transfer of resources to External Affairs to provide the required administrative support to the consolidated Foreign Service.

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