The Agency's total budget for fiscal year 1982 is \$18,369,321. Canada's share of the ordinary budget is 34.7%, which includes 3% from the government of Quebec and 0.3% from the government of New Brunswick, both participants.

Mr. François Owono-Nguema, the third Secretary General, assumed his duties on March 1, 1982. A native of Gabon. he holds a Master of Science degree in physics and mathematics from the Universities of Lille and Strasbourg, France, (1962), a Diplôme d'études supérieures in theoretical physics from the University of Lille (1964) and a Doctorate in science with a nuclear physics option from the University of Strasbourg (1968). From 1970 to 1975, he was successively vice-rector and rector of the Université nationale du Gabon, now the Université Omar Bongo. He also pursued an administrative and political career and was named High Commissioner of Scientific Research in 1972 and Secretary of State for Culture and Arts in 1973. He was Minister of Scientific Research responsible for the environment and the protection of nature from 1975 to 1980, and Minister of State responsible for culture, arts and public education from 1980 to 1982. He led the Gabonese delegation to a number of international conferences, two of which were ACTC general conferences.