
Paragraph 16 – Decentralization and Cluster Offices

Question 19

Do you have any comments or suggestions on the staffing and provisions for programme activities for cluster and national offices and regional bureaux?

Response of Canada

The staffing and provisions for programme activities for cluster and national offices and regional bureaux are administrative decisions that are within the purview of the Director-General. We are curious, however, why this question only relates to *bureaux hors siège* and not Headquarters as well.

Paragraph 17 – National Commissions

Question 20

What measures or new initiatives could be adopted to ensure an effective interaction between National Commissions and the Secretariat, in particular cluster and national offices and regional bureaux, and help increase the impact and visibility of the Organization's action at regional/country level?

Response of Canada

The role of National Commissions and co-ordination of their activities with those of Field Offices was debated most recently during the 164th session of the Executive Board (see EX 164/39 and EX 164/51) and the Board's decision appears in Decision 7.2. Canada supports this decision of the Executive Board.

Paragraphs 18 and 19 – Partnerships and Extrabudgetary Contributions

Question 21

What further steps should be taken to better reflect in future programming the link and complementarity between regular programme and extrabudgetary activities?