

THE INTERNATIONAL SERVICE— CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION

The International Service Group of the Department of Citizenship and Immigration is responsible for the overseas delivery of Canada's immigration program. The Group employs more than 300 Foreign Service Visa Officers. At any given time, about two thirds of these officers are serving abroad. The remainder work at headquarters in a variety of assignments related to the management and design of the immigration program.

Assignments at headquarters include

- desk officer for Eastern Europe, responsible for dealing with all immigrant, visitor, control, reporting and recruitment issues in Poland and the former Soviet Union;
- desk officer, monitoring and analysis, responsible for tracking delivery of immigration levels at missions, adjusting targets where necessary;
- desk officer, program co-ordination, responsible for developing and examining new or revised immigration policies, and advising on the probable impact of these policies on program delivery abroad.

Typical duties at a Canadian mission abroad include

- assessing, interviewing and counselling prospective immigrants to Canada;

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