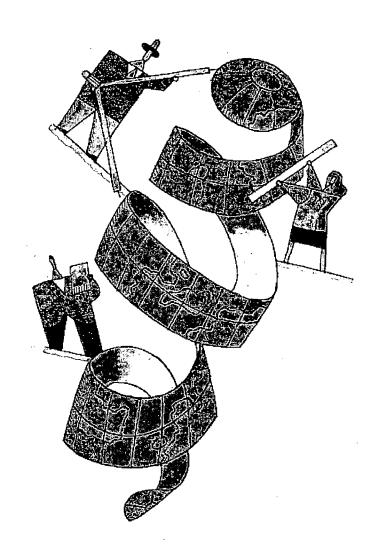




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# Human Resources SERVICE STANDARDS



Our Commitment to You

October 2001

### Letter from ADM, Human Resources

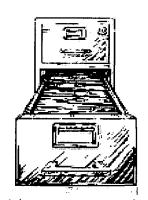
The **Human Resources Branch** is striving to meet your expectations on an on-going basis. In our effort to do so, we have defined **Service Standards** for all services that we currently provide to our clients.

The purpose of doing so is two-fold:

- **Spelling out our commitment to you** To provide you with information on what you can currently expect from us when we are assisting you with your human resource issues; and
- Establishing a baseline for measuring future success To provide a baseline upon which we can continue to improve, and against which we can measure the impact of future HR initiatives.

We hope you will find this document helpful in your day-to-day dealings with the Human Resources Branch, and look forward to working with you to address your human resource needs.

Suzanne Laporte ADM, Human Resources



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#### Introduction

#### **OVERVIEW**

This document is designed to provide you with the **service standards** defined for the various services offered by the *Human Resources Branch* within the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade (DFAIT).

It also outlines the Branch's over-riding **service commitment** principles.

The **service standards** themselves are provided along with a **service delivery structure** for each division that falls within the Branch.

The **Human Resources Branch** is comprised of:

- HR Policy and Operations Bureau
- Personnel Management Bureau
- Canadian Foreign Service Institute

For the purposes of this document, we are not outlining any service standards associated with the **Classification Reform** area, as it is not a long-term component of the Human Resources delivery platform at DFAIT.

#### **OUR SERVICE COMMITMENT**

**Employee Commitment -** All staff within the Human Resources Branch are committed to the following basic service principles:



#### TIMELY

- requests for service are promptly acknowledged;
   and
- specific delivery targets are established based on client expectations.



#### RESPONSIVE

- we are focused on client needs:
- we will reflect an understanding of the clients' business and priorities; and
- services are adapted wherever applicable.



#### RESULTS-ORIENTED

- services emphasize results over red-tape and propose workable solutions in light of all available options, risks and constraints; and
- there is less emphasis on restrictions, with a "can do" attitude.



#### COMPETENT

 services are based on a sound understanding of human resource management practices, Public Service requirements and flexibilities, and modern administrative techniques.



#### **COURTEOUS**

 we will show a high level of courtesy in all client interactions.

#### OUR SERVICE COMMITMENT cont'd

**Management Commitment** - the management of the Human Resources Branch is committed to the following principles:



#### **ACCOUNTABLE**

- we will continuously monitor the extent to which the HR Branch is meeting its service standard commitments; and
- we will take appropriate actions and corrective measures to ensure that necessary improvements are made.



#### **INFORMATIVE**

- we will report to you annually on how we are measuring up to the standards; and
- we will keep you informed on an on-going basis of changes being made to improve our service and better address your human resource requirements.

#### **OUR SERVICE STANDARDS**

The proposed **service standards** will be of two different types:



**QUANTITATIVE STANDARDS** - These apply to actions that are easily measured and expressed as a numerical measurement.

- the number of days represent the maximum for the majority of the actions, whereas the actual delivery will be less in many cases;
- when increased demands or other factors cause delays, the service providers will discuss options with the clients; and
- all days refer to working days, commencing from the time at which agreed upon documentation or information has been received from the client.



**QUALITATIVE STANDARDS** - These assess the overall effectiveness of the service providers as perceived by clients.

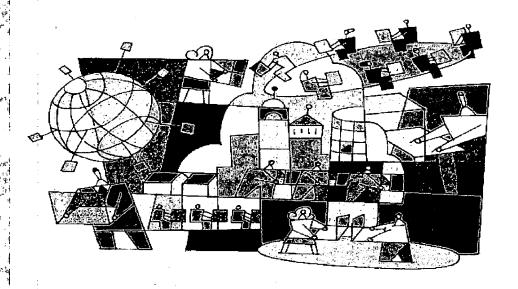
- client satisfaction with various aspects of service as solicited through client surveys and other feedback mechanisms; and
- on-going dialogue between service providers and major clients.

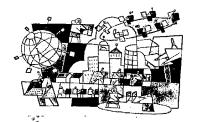
In the following pages, you will find a description of the **service delivery structure** for each division within the two bureaus and the Institute, with details of the **quantitative service standards** associated with each.

Because of the nature of its mandate, the Canadian Foreign Service Institute also focuses on **qualitative service standards**.

# Detailed Service Standards

# HR POLICY AND OPERATIONS BUREAU





# HR POLICY AND OPERATIONS BUREAU 1. Overview

HR POLICY & OPERATIONS BUREAU

Overview

Human Resources Policy Division

Staffing & Classification Division

Locally Engaged Staff Division

Staff Relations Division **HR Policy and Operations Bureau (HRD)** is responsible for the departmental HR strategy, and the secretariat for HR strategy implementation. The Bureau is concerned with department-wide policies on classification, staffing, official languages, employment equity and certain other terms and conditions of employment. It is also responsible for departmental classification operations (for rotational and non-rotational positions).

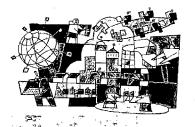
All non-rotational recruitment, comprehensive consulting services on HR management, human resources policies, classification, staff relations, staffing and training for non-rotational employees, pensions and insurance plans for Locally-Engaged Staff fall under the jurisdiction of the Human Resources Policy and Operations Bureau.

#### ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE OF HRD

The Human Resources Policy and Operations Bureau is composed of the following Divisions:

- Human Resources Policy Division (HRP);
- Staffing and Classification Division (HRS);
- Locally Engaged Staff Division (HRL); and
- Staff Relations Division (HRE).

The service delivery structure will be described in the following pages and the service standards will be listed by types of services within each of the Divisions.



### 2. Human Resources Policy Division

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The **Human Resources Policy Division** has a small number of outside clients, as it serves as departmental co-ordinator for Part VII of the Official Languages Act, which deals with support to linguistic minority groups in Canada. However, it frequently interacts with central agencies (namely, the Public Service Commission and Treasury Board Secretariat), the Human Rights Commission and Commissioner for Official Languages on a variety of issues and files.

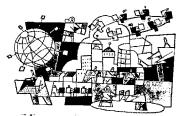
The Division serves departmental employees directly in matters related to employment equity, official languages, staffing and classification. Also, clients from within the human resources sector are served in terms of policy advice on official languages, classification, staffing and HR information systems.

The Division also provides the Human Resources Branch with strategic advice on internal communications.

In the following pages, we outline the service standards to which the Division has committed, under each service area.

The service areas include:

- Official Languages;
- Employment Equity;
- Classification:
- Communication:
- Staffing;
- Information Systems; and
- Statistical Information.



### 2. Human Resources Policy Division

#### **OFFICIAL LANGUAGES**

#### **Delivery Standard**

# HR POLICY & OPERATIONS BUREAU

Overview

Human Resources Policy Division

Staffing & Classification Division

Locally Engaged Staff Division

Staff Relations Division

1. Request for information	2 days	
2. Acknowledge and initiate enquiry into complaints from employees	2 days	
3. Acknowledge and initiate enquiry into complaints from the Commissioner for Official Languages	2 days	
4. Acknowledge and initiate enquiry into requests from the public on Part IV	2 days	

#### **EMPLOYMENT EQUITY**

	Acknowledge and initiate enquiry into requests for information on programs or activities		2 days	
	Acknowledge and initiate enquiry into requests for Accommodation	$\setminus$	2 days	
<b>3.</b> :	Request for table of statistics			-
	<ul><li>→ Acknowledgement</li><li>→ Initiation of enquiry</li></ul>	$\overline{\ \ }$	2 days 3 days	
•	Respond to comments received via Employment Equity web- page	$\rangle$	Response or acknowledgement in 5 days (when research necessary)	
<b>5.</b> (	Guidance on staffing issues in r	elati	on to employment eq	uity
	<ul><li>→ Acknowledgement &amp; research initiation</li><li>→ Response</li></ul>	$\overline{}$	2 days 5 days	



### 2. Human Resources Policy Division

#### **CLASSIFICATION**

#### **Delivery Standard**

# HR POLICY & OPERATIONS BUREAU

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Staff Relations Division

1.	Verbal guidance and opinion			
	<ul><li>→ Routine</li><li>→ Complex; interpretation of personnel policy</li></ul>		3 days 5-10 days	
2.	Written guidance and opinion	ı		
	<b>→</b> Routine		5-10 days	
	<ul><li>Complex; interpretation of personnel policy</li></ul>		10-15 days	
3.	Grievances		•	i
	➡ Response to employee	.\	25 days	
	<b>⇒</b> Hearing	\ ·	Date established by TBS	
	→ Written report	) u	ithin 10 days of hearing, or length of extension agreed upon with union	
4.	Classification of EX positions	(requi	res ADM & DM approva	1)
	➤ <b>New position</b> - review of wo description; preparation of recommendation	ork	30-60 days	

of recommendation

5. Advise on organizational analysis and design

**→ Reclassification** - review of work description; preparation

**⇒** Routine

**⇒** Complex

3-5 days

Up to 80 days

15 days (+ ongoing)



#### COMMUNICATION

Delivery Standard

1. Request for Q and As for the Minister

Within 2 hours





# 2. Human Resources Policy Division

#### STAFFING

#### Delivery Standard

# HR POLICY & OPERATIONS BUREAU

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1. Request for information		
<ul><li>→ Acknowledgement and research initiation</li><li>→ Response</li></ul>	2 days 7-14 days	
2. Distribute HR information to HR community	7 days	
3. Elaborate on policies and projects	Varies according to subject	

### INFORMATION SYSTEMS & STATISTICAL INFORMATION

1.	PeopleSoft corrections - manage positions	2 days	
2.	PeopleSoft - guidance and procedures	2 days	
3.	Acknowledge and initiate work on request for standard reports	2 days	
4.	Request for special reports - Queries/Crystal	2-5 days	
5.	Request for help/assistance	Within 2 days	
6.	PeopleSoft training		
	<ul><li>→ Acknowledgement</li><li>→ Delivery of training</li></ul>	2 days To be scheduled based on availability	



# 3. Staffing & Classification Division

The **Staffing and Classification Division (HRS)** is structured according to the following principles:

- Capability and expertise are maintained to support a range of human resources activities; and
- A single point of contact is provided to client managers through HR Account Managers who are responsible for familiarising themselves with their client portfolios and their business-driven HR needs.

The division is divided into three sections. Each section is comprised of a Senior Account Manager and four Account Assistants. Each Account Manager and Assistant team are responsible for providing service to a portfolio of clients (managers) who are apportioned by Branch, Bureau and Division. These three sections are organised as follows:

- Classification Services related to classifying all Canadabased positions in Ottawa and abroad;
- Human Resources Planning Support Being the primary point of contact for managers seeking advice on questions relating to managing human resources issues, including referral to other consultants such as Staff Relations when appropriate; and
- **Resourcing Services** Staffing all non-rotational positions up to and including EX minus one.

In the following pages, we outline the service standards to which the Division has committed generally, and under each service area.

The service areas include:

- General Areas relating to the whole Division;
- Classification;
- Human Resource Planning Support; and
- Resourcing Services.

#### HR POLICY & OPERATIONS BUREAU

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Human Resources Policy Division

Staffing & Classification Division

Locally Engaged Staff Division

Staff Relations Division



### 3. Staffing & Classification Division

#### **GENERAL AREAS**

#### Delivery Standard

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Staff Relations Division

	•		
1.	Core office hours for HRS - when someone will be available to assist clients	08:00 to 17:00	
2.	Acknowledge receipt of all requests for advice, assistance or action	2 days	
3.	Establish agreement with client on completion time of requested action	3-5 days	
4.	Verbal advice		
	<ul><li>→ Routine issues</li><li>→ Complex inquiries</li></ul>	1 day 3 days	
5.	Support and interpretation of personnel policy	3 days	
6.	Written advice on inquiries	5 days	
7.	Input and maintain information on PeopleSoft	1 day	
8.	Respond to employee request for information	3 days	



### 3. Staffing & Classification Division

#### **CLASSIFICATION**

#### Delivery Standard

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Staff Relations

1. Classify a new position	
<ul><li>Generic</li><li>Not identical to an existing one</li></ul>	3 days 20 days
<ul> <li>Not identical to an existing one and requiring an evaluation committee</li> </ul>	30 days
2. Review and update an existing position (reclassification)	Up to 40 days
3. Advise on organizational analysis and design	10 days (+ ongoing)
4. Assist in resolution of classification grievances	As required 🗸

#### HR PLANNING SUPPORT

Provide statistical information to managers for planning purposes	5 days	
2. Provide data, planning and analysis assistance on composition of unit workforce	10 days (+ ongoing)	



### 3. Staffing & Classification Division

#### RESOURCING SERVICES

#### **Delivery Standard**

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Human Resources **Policy Division** 

Staffing & Classification Division:

> ¿ Locally Engaged Staff Division

Staff Relations Division

1. Advise on selection mechanisms, tools and option	s 5 days	
2. Review Statement of Qualifications and other documentation	5 days	
3. Prepare letter(s) of offer	3 days	
4. Appoint employees, including discussing options with client poster/notice, reviewing quest assisting in the interview, pre-	, liaising with PSC, issuing tions, obtaining clearance,	
→ Acting pay without	5 days from receipt of fully authorized 1690	

appointment

Acting appointment

→ Appointment of person with priority

➡ Closed competition (DFAIT or inter-departmental)

Open competition (PSC or via external advertising)

**→** Casual employee

**⇒** Student

Reappointment of term



15 days (if no appeal)

15 days

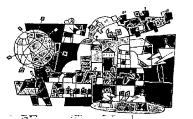
100 days

35-75 days

5 days

20 days

3 days after receipt of fully authorized 1690



### 3. Staffing & Classification Division

#### RESOURCING SERVICES (cont'd)

→ Counsel affected employees

#### Delivery Standard

Within 2 days of

announcement (depends on number and situation)

# HR POLICY & OPERATIONS BUREAU

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Staff Relations Division

5. Deploy employees	
<ul><li>⇒ From within the Department</li><li>⇒ From outside the Department</li></ul>	15 days 20 days
6. Complete a Special Assignmen Pay Plan (SAPP)	20 days after approval
7. Prepare documentation relating to individual Workforce Adjustment actions	15 days
8. Assist in the defence of appeal and resolution of complaints	S As required
9. Workforce adjustment and other	er issues
➤ Facilitate union consultation	Management's request



# 4. Locally Engaged Staff Division

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Staffing & Classification Division

Locally Engaged Staff Division

Staff Relations Division The management of Locally-Engaged Staff (LES) is governed by the LES Employment Regulations and the Locally-Engaged Staff's Terms and Conditions Regulations. The services provided by the **Locally Engaged Staff Division (HRL)** are delivered in accordance with this regulatory framework and any applicable departmental HR objectives and programs.

The division is divided into two section. The sections are subdivided into two geographic portfolios (Americas and Europe; Asia, Africa and Middle-East) responsible for providing service to the missions of their respective geographic sector. The two sections are:

- Human Resources Section, which provides the following services:
  - staffing, classification, staff relations, pay and benefit determination.
- Pensions and Insurance Section, which provides the following services:
  - pension, social security, severance, insurance plan and workers' compensation provisions, development, determination and implementation; and
  - severance and pension entitlements.

In the following pages, we outline the service standards to which the Division has committed, under each service area.

The service areas include:

- Classification;
- Staffing and Staff Relations;
- Pay and Benefits;
- Severance;
- Pensions (Pension Scheme for Employees of the Government of Canada locally engaged outside Canada); and
- Insurance/Pension Plans.



### 4. Locally Engaged Staff Division

#### **CLASSIFICATION**

#### Delivery Standard

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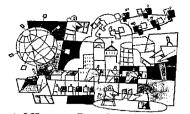
Human Resources Policy Division

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Staff Relations
Division

1. Create/classify a new position		·
Solicit the Mission for missing data (classification or additional information)	10 days	V
Complete the classification with all information in the file (job description, organization chart, EXT-145 classification decision, HQ authority)	10 days	
2. Reclassification requests		
Missions with delegated authority  → DFAIT position request, with complete file provided  → OGD initiated request, with	10 days	
SMPS authority and completed classification package (monitoring role)	10 days	
Missions without delegated authority → DFAIT initiated request, with job description and organization chart provided	20 days	<b>/</b>
→ OGD initiated request, with SMPS authority, job description and organization chart done	20 days	
3. Classification grievances - regulatory requirement	30 days	
4. Request for classification guidance	10-20 days	



### 4. Locally Engaged Staff Division

# HR POLICY & OPERATIONS BUREAU

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Locally Engaged Staff Division

Staff Relations
Division

#### STAFFING & STAFF RELATIONS

#### **Delivery Standard**

1.	Provide information, guidance and advice	$\geq$	Up to 10 days	
2.	Provide advice and information on issues dealing with grievance, discipline and performance	$\left. \right\rangle$	Up to 10 days	
3.	Staff relations grievance - regulatory requirement - employee advised of decision	$\left. \right\rangle$	Within 45 days of receipt of grievance	

#### PAY AND BENEFITS

#### Delivery Standard

1. Results of salary revision exercise	Early June
2. Benefit Surveys Review	Ongoing V
3. Review and update of handbooks	Ongoing
4. Provide advice and interpretation on pay and benefit issues	Up to 10 days

#### **SEVERANCE**

1. Verification and approval of severance entitlement	£ +	Up to 30 days	
2. Provide advice and interpretation on severance issues		Up to 10 days	



### 4. Locally Engaged Staff Division

#### PENSION (Pension Scheme for Employees of the Government of Canada Locally Engaged Outside Canada)

Delivery Standard



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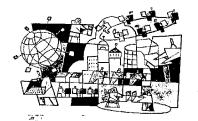
Locally Engaged Staff Division

Staff Relations

1. Calculate and approve pension applications under world-wide pension scheme	Within 90 days
2. Indexation of pensions and calculation of single lump sum payment	Completed by January 31 of each year
3. Respond to requests for Pension Estimates, by individuals	30 days
4. Provide advice and interpretation of pension issues relating to world-wide scheme	Up to 20 days

#### INSURANCE/PENSION PLANS

1.	Establish a new insurance plan - analysis of request and decision			60 days	
2.	Upgrade insurance plan review			Ongoing	
3.	Provide on-going insurance services/workers' compensation/ social security	i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i		30 days	
4.	Implement a new pension plan			Ongoing	
5.	Provide advice and interpretation on insurance, social security, workers' compensation and pension		Up to	30 days	



# HR POLICY AND OPERATIONS BUREAU 5. Staff Relations Division

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> Staff Relations Division

The **Staff Relations Division (HRE)** is a member of the Staff Relations Council mandated to review and amend current staff relations policies in the Public Service. HRE is primarily a management advisory bureau. The role delegated to the division is to advise managers of their rights and ensure that managers are aware of sound management practices regarding these rights, as well as creating an equitable work environment for managers and employees.

The division is also responsible to manage and implement the Occupational Safety and Health Program and to provide advice and guidance on all matters relating to the Code of Conduct and Conflict of Interest Guidelines. HRE has also been delegated to approve leave under FSD-48 (other leave) as well as advance of paid sick leave.

Below we outline the service standards to which the Division has committed, under each service area.

The service areas include:

- General Issues:
- Code of Conduct:
- Harassment Complaints Investigations;
- · Disciplinary Measures; and
- Labour Management
  - Designation and Exclusions of Employees
  - Collective Agreement Interpretation
  - Union Management:
- Grievances
  - PBSSRB
  - NJC:
- Occupational Safety and Health Program
  - Ergonomics
  - Mini-Clinics Overseas
  - Advice and Guidance
  - Complaints; and
- Fit to Work Assessments.

5. Staff Relations Division

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#### **GENERAL**

#### Delivery Standard

HR POLICY &
OPERATIONS

1. Office hours for HRE

0730-1700 (Operation) 0930-1530 (Core)



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> Staff Relations

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#### Delivery Standard

1. Process forms signed by new employees

2 days

2. Requests for advice and guidance

Acknowledgement
Response

Depends on complexity

Depends on complexity

#### HARASSMENT COMPLAINTS

#### Delivery Standard

1. Acknowledge initial receipt		10 days	
2. Mediation		Within 60 days	
3. Investigation (if Mediation fails)		Within 90 days	
4. Resolution (following completion of Investigation)	)	Within 60 days	

#### **DISCIPLINARY MEASURES**

Acknowledge request from manager	2 days	
2. Review and investigation		
⇒ Routine ⇒ Complex	5 days Depends on complexity	



#### 5. Staff Relations Division

#### LABOUR MANAGEMENT

1. Designations

#### Delivery Standard

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> Staff Relations Division

→ Advise management to
identify positions to be
designated for next round of
bargaining
Propose the designation of
positions to various unions

→ Advise management of the result of negotiations

→ Refer positions in dispute to the Designation Review Panel

These are part of the collective bargaining process and timelines are established accordingly

#### 2. Exclusions

<b>⇒</b> Review the request to
determine if the position
qualifies for exclusion

Propose the exclusion to various unions

→ Advise management of the result of the negotiations

➤ Refer positions in dispute to Treasury Board

10 days



10 days

10 days

10 days

#### 3. Collective Agreement interpretation

#### Oral requests

⇒ Routine

⇒ Complex, requiring research

#### Written request

**→** Acknowledgement

**⇒** Response

1 day



10 days (may be longer if TBS & Legal involved, etc.

3 days

10 days (may be longer if TBS & Legal involved, etc.

**4. Union management** - channel of communications between management and employees through union representatives

Union/Management consultations - 6 per year

DFAIT/Joint/CSL
- 2 per year





### 5. Staff Relations Division

#### **PSSRB GRIEVANCES**

#### **Delivery Standard**

# HR POLICY & OPERATIONS BUREAU

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> Staff Relations

1. 1st level - acknowledgement s	gement situations			
<ul> <li>Acknowledgement</li> <li>Verbal advice to manager, support and interpretation</li> </ul>	Manager's responsibility  Depends on complexity			
2. 2nd level - assigned to officer				
<ul> <li>→ Assign to officer</li> <li>→ Request union hearing date</li> <li>→ Attend hearing with MSL</li> <li>→ Conduct investigation</li> <li>→ Prepare reply</li> </ul>	3 days 5 days Upon availability Depends on complexity Depends on complexity			
3. Mediation	PSSRB responsibility			
4. Adjudication	PSSRB responsibility			

#### **NJC GRIEVANCES**

<ul> <li>Acknowledgement</li> <li>Verbal advice to manager, support and interpretation</li> </ul>	Manager's responsibility  Depends on complexity
2. 2nd level - assigned to officer	
<ul><li>→ Assigned to officer</li><li>→ Request union hearing date</li><li>→ Attend hearing with DLO</li></ul>	3 days 5 days Upon availability
3. 3rd level - NJC	NJC responsibility
4. Adjudication	NJC responsibility



5. Staff Relations Division

#### **OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY & HEALTH PROGRAM**

#### Delivery Standard

#### HR POLICY & **OPERATIONS** BUREAU

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> Staff Relations Division

1. Ergonomics			
<ul> <li>→ Acknowledge request</li> <li>→ Analysis of specifics of</li> </ul>		2 days	5/1
request to explain action to t taken	pe \	5 days	
► May go to outside source (Health Canada)	$\rangle$	Upon availability	
➡ Return of report from Health Canada		10 days	
➡ Follow up when necessary		As required	
2. Mini-Clinics Overseas			
Contract for renewal of location  → No change		2 days	
→ With changes	\	15 days	
Recommendation for new clinic	}	0.4	
<b>→</b> Acknowledge		2 days 20 days	
► Assess ► Implement		Mission & Doctor's	
3. Advice and Guidance		responsibility	
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➡ Acknowledge request		2 days	
<b>⇒</b> Response		Depends on complexity	
4. Complaints		ı	
➡ Response to Part II of Canada Labour Code (given priority)	a\	1-2 days	
General complaint	$\rangle$	5 days	
<ul><li>Further investigation/ assessment</li></ul>		Depends on complexity	



5. Staff Relations Division

#### FIT TO WORK ASSESSMENTS

#### **Delivery Standard**

HR POLICY & OPERATIONS BUREAU

Overview

Human Resources Policy Division

Staffing & Classification Division

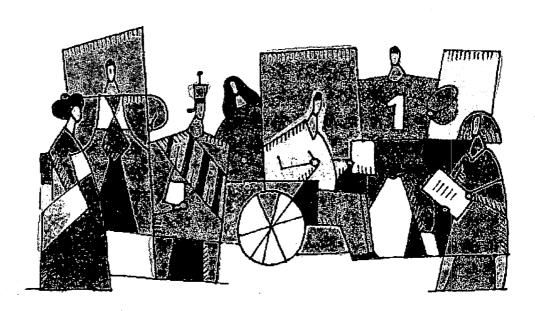
Locally Engaged Staff Division

> Staff Relations Division

Advise and direct managers     concerning Health Canada Fit     to Work assessment		5 days	
2. Send forms completed by manager to Health Canada		5 days	
3. Inform manager of Health Canada response	\right\{ \frac{1}{2} \right\}	 5 days	

## **Detailed Service Standards**

# PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT BUREAU





# PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT BUREAU 1. Overview

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**Services Centre** 

Employee Assistance Program The **HR Personnel Management Bureau (HPD)** is responsible for all services affecting rotational personnel, including recruitment, staffing, assignments, appraisals, promotions, issues of concern to particular employee groups. It also deals with the appraisals of non-rotational staff, and single-assignments abroad for non-rotational personnel.

The Bureau provides career counselling and employee assistance programs to all staff, deals with the HR management of the Senior Executive Pool, provides for the negotiation, interpretation, and administration of the Foreign Service Directives.

The Bureau supplies a wide range of services for personnel moving out of, or returning to Canada through pre-posting or reentry briefings and workshops. It also manages the Department's award and recognition programs, and the spousal employment program.

#### ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE OF THE BUREAU

The Personnel Management Bureau is comprised of the following Divisions and specialized services:

- Assignments Division;
- Recruitment, Counselling and Promotion Division;
- FSD Policy and Administration Division;
- Executive Pool/Heads of Mission Division;
- Services Centre; and
- Employee Assistance Program.

The service delivery structure will be described in the following pages and the service standards will be listed by types of services within each of the Divisions and specialized service areas.



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**Services Centre** 

Employee Assistance Program The **Assignments Division (HPF)** is responsible for the assignments of all rotational employees up to EX-2 and single assignments for non-rotational staff. It serves all missions abroad and divisions at headquarters, and also a number of outside clients as it is responsible for secondment and interchange agreements. HPF contributes to the development of policies related to assignments, the restructuring of various groups. and the reclassification of positions.

Services are organized as follows:

- Assignments for all rotational personnel up to EX02;
- Single assignments abroad for non-rotational personnel;
   and
- Overall management of rotational employee groups.

Below we outline the service standards to which the Division has committed, under each service area.

The service areas include:

- Rotational Assignments at HQ;
- Rotational Assignments Abroad;
- Assignment of Non-Rotational Officers;
- Employee Career Development;
- Policy, Planning and Procedures;
- Information Management; and
- LWOP/Acting Pay.



2. Assignments Division

#### ROTATIONAL ASSIGNMENTS AT HQ

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**Services Centre** 

Employee Assistance Program

- 1. Publication of list of openings (by stream) and profile positions, if available
  - AS, CR, CS, EL, FS positions

➡ SCY/AS02 (Admin) positions

Early February

April



- 2. Identify appropriate candidates in close consultation with geographic and functional divisions
  - → AS, CR, FS positions

⇒ SCY/AS02 (Admin) positions

March/April

May/June



- 3. Secondments and interchanges (IN & OUT)
  - Respond to requests for general information on policy and procedures
  - Prepare and finalize agreements

Within 2 days



Prior to start of assignment

- 4. Confirmation of assignments (PCFs, individual SIGNET messages)

→ Most SCY/AS02 (Admin) positions

April

April-June or 2 days after all requirements met





### 2. Assignments Division

#### ROTATIONAL ASSIGNMENTS ABROAD

1. Confirmation of extensions in

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**Services Centre** 

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following year		June V
2. Publication of list of opening (by stream) and position profiles, if available	S	June/July
3. Identify appropriate candidate geographic and functional divassignments, in close consultations.	visions (and,	in the case of SCY
AC CD CS EL ES position		Octob or /November

→ AS, CR, CS, EL, FS positions

➡ SCY/AS02 (Admin) positions

October/November November/March



4. Confirmation of assignments (PCFs, individual SIGNET messages)

→ AS, CR, CS, EL, FS positions

**⇒** EX positions

➡ SCY/AS02 (Admin) positions

December January

PCFs issues as of April 1, or 2 days after all requirements met



5. Change of designations

Advise HPE within 10 days of anniversary date



6. Advertise and facilitate temporary duty assignments

Ongoing



ASSIGNMENT OF NON-ROTATIONAL OFFICERS

Delivery Standard

1. Offer details on opportunities at HQ and abroad (single assignments) in coordination with HRS and HPC

Ongoing





### 2. Assignments Division

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#### EMPLOYEE CAREER DEVELOPMENT

#### Delivery Standard

Review and assess career aspirations of employees		Ongoing	
2. Identify language training requirements (official and foreign)	2	Ongoing	
3. Identify pre-posting training requirements	<u></u>	January June	

#### POLICY, PLANNING & PROCEDURES

Delivery Standard

1.	AS 8	FS	Recruitment	(liaise	with	HPC)
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**→** Organize outreach sessions

→ Organize recruitment boards

Spring & September January & February



2. Develop and implement guidelines and procedures relating to all aspects of the assignment process

→ Assignments at HQ→ Assignments abroad

January

April



3. Liaise with TB, PSC, PSAC, PAFSO and OGDs with regard to human resource issues

Ongoing



4. Ensure Government and DFAIT human resources standards and objectives are met; e.g., employment equity, employee couples, etc.

Ongoing -





2. Assignments Division

#### INFORMATION MANAGEMENT

#### **Delivery Standard**

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Employee Assistance Program

1.	Respond to requests re. positions; e.g., reclassification, conversion, freezing, deletion, creation (related to forms 1690)	$\left. \right\rangle$	Initial response within 3 days	
2.	Initiate update of appropriate sections of PeopleSoft	$\left. \right\rangle$	Within 5 days of action taken	
3.	Respond to enquiries from missions/divisions/employees on personnel issues	$\left. \right\rangle$	Initial response within 2 days	
4.	Send declaration of intent to marry to ISDT	$\left. \right\rangle$	Within 2 days of receipt	
5.	Prepare SIGNET messages on notices of death		ASAP after confirmation of arrangements & background information	
6.	Amend PCFs (accreditation, family configuration, corrections, etc.)	$\left. \right\rangle$	Within 2 days of receipt of all information	
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#### LWOP/ACTING PAY

7. Transmit retirement/

relevant units

resignation information to

#### **Delivery Standard**

resignation letter

Within 2 days of receipt of

1. Request for leave without pay	$\rightarrow$	Response within 10 days	
2. Providing acting pay			
→ On assignment (initiated by HPF)		Within 5 days of start of assignment	
→ Temporary	Wi	thin 2 days of receipt of form 1690 from HPC	



# 3. Recruitment, Counselling and Promotions Division

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Employee Assistance Program The **Recruitment, Counselling and Promotions Division (HPC)** conducts personnel functions for all rotational employees: recruitment, staffing, and promotions. The division also provides career counselling to all employees, and is responsible for appraisals on all employees except those covered by Performance Management Agreements (EXs, HOMs, and Directors).

The major activity each year is the Foreign Service recruitments (FS and AS-MCO). The Division is also responsible for the recruitment of rotational employees in the CR, CS, EL and SCY groups. Promotion exercises for rotational employees are a regular feature, and the division conducts boards for rotational AS(MCO), CR, CS, EL, FS, and SCY groups.

The **Career Counselling Centre** provides a range of employee career counselling, and training modules on skills for self-management such as how to write your CV. The centre is also responsible for the Department's participation in programs such as CAP and the MTP, in addition to coordinating secondments and interchanges for all employees.

**Appraisals** are key human resource management and development tools, and the Division is responsible for appraisals for all employees.

Below we outline the service standards to which the Division has committed, under each service area.

The service areas include:

- Recruitment for All Rotational Positions;
- Staffing in All Rotational Positions;
- Promotions for Rotational Employees;
- Career Counselling for All Employees;
- Appraisals for All Employees :
- Acting Pay; and
- HR Policy Development.



3. Recruitment, Counselling and Promotions Division

#### **RECRUITMENT (Rotational)**

#### **Delivery Standard**

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Employee Assistance Program

1.	Support the Foreign Service through the recruitment of qualified rotational staff in AS, CR, CS, EL, FS and SCY groups	Continuing, annual cycle	
2.	Monitor job opportunities in international organizations, with a view to identifying suitable candidates	Continuous	
3.	Administer the FSDP program after initial recruitment (in collaboration with HPF)	Continuous	

#### **STAFFING (Rotational)**

#### Delivery Standard

1.	Implement actions to appoint, deploy and assign employees in rotational positions	Annual, in principle	
2.	Staffing of term employees into rotational positions	3 days	
3.	Process requests for acting pay for FS officers	5 days	

#### **PROMOTIONS** (Rotational)

#### Delivery Standard

1. Organize and conduct promotion boards for rotational employees	Annual, in principle	
2. Represent DFAIT in any proceedings appealing the results of promotions boards	As required	



3. Recruitment, Counselling and Promotions Division

#### CAREER COUNSELLING (All Employees)

#### Delivery Standard

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Employee Assistance Program  Provide career counselling assistance to employees upon request, including secondment opportunities and interchanges as part of a career development program (CAP and MTP)

Reply within 1 day



#### APPRAISALS (All Employees)

#### Delivery Standard

- 1. Solicit, track, record, store and vet annual appraisals on all employees, both rotational and non-rotational
  - → CR & N/R service groups
  - EX, AR, AS, CS, DD, ED-EDS, EG, EL, EN-ENG, ES, FI, GT, HR, IS, MM, OM, PE, PG, PM, SI
  - ➡ FS & CO
  - ➡ N/R SCY

January 1





- August 31
  - October 1

2. Provide training to individuals and organizations on DFAIT's appraisal system

Upon request



#### **ACTING PAY**

#### **Delivery Standard**

1. Process requests for EX acting pay (short-term only)

End of each month.



#### HR POLICY DEVELOPMENT

#### Delivery Standard

1. Develop and contribute to the development of sound HR policies

Ongoing





# 4. FSD Policy and Administration Division

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Employee Assistance Program

The **FSD Policy and Administration Division (HPM)** is responsible for the interpretation and administration of the Foreign Service Directives for all employees. It is the focal point for all FSD policy issues, represents the Department in the Triennial Negotiations of the FSDs and in Interdepartmental "Working Group A" (exceptions to FSDs), and also acts as the liaison with Statistics Canada on Post Index issues.

The Division also chairs:

- the Interdepartmental Post Hardship Committee;
- the Committee on Accommodation Deficiency; and
- Interdepartmental "Working Group B" (interpretation of FSDs).

The Division is an advocate for better living conditions for employees abroad, and is leading a review of the health and welfare of employees and their families.

Below we outline the service standards to which the Division has committed, under each service area.

The service areas include:

- FSD Policy Administration & Interpretation;
- Foreign Service Allowances & Benefits;
- Posting Loans & Accountable Advances;
- FSD Claim Settlement;
- Foreign Service Leave and Travel Bank;
- Rates and Routings;
- SOS/AEA International Sky Ambulance Service; and
- Committees & Working Groups.



4. FSD Policy and Administration Division

## FSD POLICY ADMINISTRATION & INTERPRETATION

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Employee Assistance Program

1. Overall policy development, interpretation & administration		Ongoing	V
2. Departmental representative in the negotiations of the FSDs in the National Joint Council		Upon request	
3. Provide interpretation of FSD rules and regulations for specific cases		Ongoing	
4. Review issues with and provide clarification to clients and missions on FSD enquiries	2	5 days	

#### **FS ALLOWANCES & BENEFITS**

#### Delivery Standard

1.	Respond to enquiries on various FS allowances and
	benefits, review issues and/or provide clarification

5 days



- 2. Adjustments to Allowances (FSDs 55,56,58) Post Living Allowance, FS Premium, Post Differential Allowance
  - ► Commence, cease and adjust FS allowances; deposit made on the last day of each month
  - Notification of arrival adjustment received before the 8th of the month
  - Notification of arrival adjustment received after the 8th of the month adjusted
- 3. Approval of shelter share waivers (FSD 15.34) -Family Separation Expenses
- 4. Waiver of shelter share (FSD 25.09)

1 month after notification 2 months after notification for adjustments related to acting pay



First deposit made in same month

First deposit made the next month

Within 5 days if all documentation provided and conditions met



Upon receipt of proper documentation





4. FSD Policy and Administration Division

#### FS ALLOWANCES & BENEFITS (cont'd)

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Employee Assistance Program 5. Designation of common-law spouse, same-sex couple and other dependents for the purposes of FS allowances and benefits (FSD 2.01(y))

Within 5 days if all corroborating documents provided and conditions met



6. Provide authorization of FSD benefits to Missions and employees at post

5 days



7. Payment of Non-Accountable Allowances at HQ - Education (FSD 34), Foreign Service Travel (FSD 45), Vacation Travel (FSD 50), Family Reunion Travel Allowances (FSD 51)

5 days



## POSTING LOANS & ACCOUNTABLE ADVANCES

#### Delivery Standard

- 1. Authorize and process both new and renegotiated loans for employees at missions or on cross-posting
  - ⇒ New loans
  - ➡ Renegotiated loans
  - Modification to payment deductions when renegotiating
- 5 days (upon receipt of proper authorization)
- 5 days (upon receipt of proper authorization)

First pay of following month will reflect change in most cases



#### 2. Provide accountable advances

→ Process requests where advance for funds are deposited in Canada - Real Estate and Legal Fees (FSD 16), Property Management Fees (FSD 25.09), Medical Advance Travel (FSD 41), Medical/Dental Advance (FSD 42), Emergency Evacuation (FSD 64)

5 days (PWGSC direct deposits or issues cheques for mail delivery to bank)





4. FSD Policy and Administration Division

#### **FSD CLAIM SETTLEMENT**

#### Delivery Standard

**Delivery Standard** 

1. Audit and settle FSD claims under Section 34 of the Financial Administration Act (FAA) and forward to SMFT

Within 20 days of providing documents and claim



2. Loss and damage claims (FSD15.18-26)

Subject to complexity of claim



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## FOREIGN SERVICE LEAVE & TRAVEL BANK

1. Approve use of leave or travel credits from Foreign Service Leave/Travel Bank (FSD 45.06)

Interim response within 10 days with adjustments in system the next month



2. Respond to employee enquiries on leave balances

Interim response and/or correction in 10 days



#### **RATES & ROUTING**

## Delivery Standard

1. Review, update and publish all rates, including meal, post index, mileage, allowances, shelter cost, education ceilings, etc.

Published on INTRANET the first week of each month



2. Review, update and publish the official routings and airfares to and from each Mission

Update once a year for June 1 Available to HPM and SERV Advisors



## SOS/AEA INTERNATIONAL SKY AMBULANCE SERVICE

#### Delivery Standard

1. Negotiate and administer the contract

Contract renewal in 2006



2. Monitor the service and use of the provider

Ongoing



3. Advise on request for services (Sole Approval authority)

OF A BUILDING

Authority provided within 1 day of request (Missions can contact SOS directly in urgent cases)





# 4. FSD Policy and Administration Division

#### **COMMITTEES & WORKING GROUPS**

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Employee Assistance Program

# 1. INTERDEPARTMENTAL POST HARDSHIP COMMITTEE - FSD 58 (Chaired by DFAIT/HPM)

→ Members: DND, RCMP, C&I, CIDA, TBS, Health Canada

Review, assess and assign Post Hardship Levels

Meets monthly



→ Release decisions

Within 5 days of meeting



Review submissions

Preliminary review within 6 days of receipt, with consideration at next Hardship Committee meetina



## 2. COMMITTEE ON ACCOMMODATION DEFICIENCY ADJUSTMENT (Chaired by DFAIT/HPM)

- → Members: representatives of SRD and responsible ADM
- Reviews accommodation deficiency applications of all HOMs and those that exceed 30% adjustment

Meets monthly, on the first Tuesday



## 3. WORKING GROUP A (Chaired by TBS)

- → Members: DFAIT, DND, RCMP, CSIS, C&I, CIDA
- ➡ Interdepartmental Committee that establishes FSD policies and procedures and part of the FSD Triennial Review
- Committee can also review and rule on FSD-related issues that exceed the Deputy Head authority

Meets on a periodic basis, depending on FSD Triennial Review negotiations and appeals for FSD ruling of Working Group B

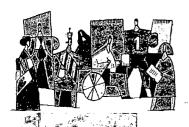


## 4. WORKING GROUP B (Chaired by DFAIT/HPM)

- → Members: DND, RCMP, CSIS, C&I, CIDA, TBS, CCRA
- Review and assess individual FSD-related issues

Meets monthly, on the third Wednesday





# 5. Executive Pool/Heads of Mission Division

The **Executive Pool/Heads of Mission Division (HPE)** is responsible for the human resources management of the Senior

The division provides policy advice and guidance on the application and interpretation of Terms and Conditions of Employment for all EXs, including those managed by HPF, contributes to the development of relevant HR policies, and is responsible for liaison with PSC, Treasury Board, and the Privy Council Office with regard to EX and Governor-in-Council matters.

Executive Pool, a group which includes most non-rotational

EX-01s and 2s and all EX-03s, 4s, and 5s.

Below we outline the service standards to which the Division has committed, under each service area.

The service areas include:

HQ Assignments, Secondments and Interchange Canada

Heads of Post Assignments;

- Assignments;
- EX Staffing, Promotions and Performance Management;
- Performance Pay;
- Retirement Planning;
- "La Relève" Processes;
- Diplomatic Designations and CanReps Abroad;
- OGD Assignments;
- Diplomatic Passports;
- Order-in-Council Appointments;
- Information Management; and
- Policy Development and Advice.



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5. Executive Pool/Heads of Mission Division

#### **HEADS OF POST ASSIGNMENTS**

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Employee Assistance Program

1. Publication of list of openings	Late September	
2. Undertake consultations with geographic ADMs and DGs on specific requirements, problems, possible names	October	
3. Identify appropriate candidates in collaboration with geographic ADMs	November-February	
4. Ongoing consultations with DMs to finalize list	November-March	
5. Solicit DM decision on extensions list and advise HOMs	January-February	
6. Keep clients informed of the progress of list as required	November-March	
7. Prepare documentation for nomination phase, through Ministers, PM and GG	February-March	
8. Confirm assignments, requests for agrément, PCFs (if PM approval received)	April	
9. Prepare for HOM Pre-Departure Briefings; coordinate travel, financial requirements, hotels, information packages for HOMs	Мау	
10. Prepare Orders-in-Council, press releases	May-August	



5. Executive Pool/Heads of Mission Division

# HQ ASSIGNMENTS, SECONDMENTS & INTERCHANGE CANADA ASSIGNMENTS

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Employee Assistance Program

1.	Develop list of openings at senior/DG level	March-April	<b>/</b>
2.	Identify appropriate candidates in consultation with ADMs	April-June	
3.	Ongoing consultations with DMs to finalize lists	April-June	V
4.	Confirmation of assignments, PCFs	May-June	V
5.	Prepare Departmental announcement	Mid-summer, as approved	<b>/</b>
6.	Secondments & Interchanges		
	→ Respond to requests for information on policy and procedures	Within 2 days	
	→ Prepare and finalize agreement	Prior to start of assignment	V

# EX STAFFING, PROMOTIONS & PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT

#### Delivery Standard

1. EX Staffing					
→ Provide advice to managers on requirements			•	Ongoing	V
▶ Liaise with PSC and ensure documentation is provided		· -		Ongoing	V
<ul> <li>⇒ Prepare salary calculations and letter of appointment</li> </ul>	>2			Ongoing	V
⇒ Brief new employees on arrival and maintain databas	se			Ongoing	



# 5. Exacutive Pool/Heads of Mission Division

# EX STAFFING, PROMOTIONS & PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT (cont'd)

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Employee S Assistance Program

2. EX Promotions		
Provide policy advice on process	Ongoing	
Administer screening board, provide rationales	As required	
Advise candidates, arrange interviews, provide financial documents	As required	
Ensure proper documentation to PSC	As required	
Prepare announcement and individual letter to successful candidate, salary calculations	As required	
3. EX Performance Management Agreements	•	
	•	
Request annual PMAs with instructions (ADM confirmation required - PMAs in place by June 30)	April	
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instructions (ADM confirmation required - PMAs in place by June 30)  Provide summer transition lists to ADMs (ADMs ensure PMAs in place by Sept 30)  Request final version (column	April September 1	



# 5. Executive Pool/Heads of Mission Division

#### PERFORMANCE PAY

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Employee Assistance Program

1. EX Performance Pay (Schedule 1	under	review)	
→ Advise Deputies of TB instructions, provide DFAIT policy options	\right\{ \frac{1}{2} \right\}	March/April	V
➡ Administer input from ADMs		Мау	V
→ Develop materials to facilitate decisions by EC and DMs	\\ \rac{1}{2}	April-May	V
► Advise individuals of their performance pay	) 2 2 2	June-July	V
► Liaise with Pay to ensure action is taken	$\sum_{i=1}^{n}$	June-July	V
➤ Report to Treasury Board	) }	August	V
2. Non-EX Performance Pay			•
<ul> <li>Develop DFAIT policy and process from TB guidelines (annual)</li> <li>Develop materials to facilitate decisions</li> <li>Calculate budget, organize review committee</li> <li>Prepare letters to employees</li> </ul>		When received	V
⇒ Liaise with Pay to ensure action is taken		September/October	V



5. Executive Pool/Heads of Mission Division

#### RETIREMENT PLANNING

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1.	Develop plan	As required	
2.	Develop Interchange Canada Agreement	As required	
3.	Prepare letter of acceptance of resignation	5 days after receipt of resignation or as required	
4.	Liaise with Pay Section	Within 5 days of receipt of resignation	

#### LA RELEVE PROCESSES

## Delivery Standard

Liaise with PSC and Land Resources Network	earning	Ongoing	
2. Announce launch of A AEXDP, Promotion EX		As determined by PSC	
3. Provide advice and co candidates	aching to	As appropriate	
4. Provide advice and de making tools/informa Deputies	`	As appropriate	



# 5. Executive Pool/Heads of Mission Division

## DIPLOMATIC DESIGNATIONS & CAN REPS ABROAD

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Employee Assistance Program

1. Diplomatic Designations			
<ul> <li>Confirm consular status with Consular Division, upon receipt of PCFs from HPF or OGD</li> </ul>	\right\{ \right\}^{2}	March-June & on-going	V
→ Determine diplomatic designation and advise HPF and OGD	\right\{ \frac{1}{2} \right\}	March-June & on-going	V
→ Assess requests for upgrades of designation, including consultation with HOM and/or geographic	\right\{ \frac{1}{2} \right\}	Ongoing	V
→ Confirm decision or refer to Designations Panel		Ongoing	V
2. Canadian Representatives Abro	ad		
➡ Call to Missions for input	\right\{ \frac{1}{2}}{2}	Late September	V
→ Monitor work of contractor	) }	September-December	V
► Approve final version		December	V
➤ Ensure posting of Intranet version		Late December	V
➤ Ensure printing and distribution of hard copy		January	V
➤ Ensure updating of Intranet version	> 2	Ongoing	V



5. Executive Pool/Heads of Mission Division

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Employee Assistance Program

sec	ise with all appropriate tors of DFAIT on behalf of ding department	Ongoing	
	vide accurate, timely ormation to OGD	Ongoing	
	sure appropriate funding is warded to DFAIT	Ongoing	
	ne PCFs, provide coding and cribution	Ongoing	

#### DIPLOMATIC PASSPORTS

#### Delivery Standard

1. Review requests for diplomatic passports for non-Canadian spouses and dependents	Ongoing	
2. Consult with HOM, Security, geographic area, SERV	Ongoing	
3. Make decision and advise post, Security, SERV and PPT office	Ongoing	

#### ORDER-IN-COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS

#### Delivery Standard

1.	Liaise with PCO on OIC and entry of new appointees	$\rangle$	Ongoing	
2.	Develop and carry out briefing program	$\rangle$	As required	
3.	Liaise with Pay to ensure action is taken on new pay orders; maintain records	$\rangle$	As required	



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#### INFORMATION MANAGEMENT

#### Delivery Standard

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1.	Update PeopleSoft relating to moves, new information		Ongoing	
2.	Make amendments to PCFs	\right\{ \right\} \text{II}	Vithin 5 days of receipt of correct information	
3.	Respond to enquiries from missions/divisions/employees on personnel issues	\right\{ \frac{1}{2} \right\}	Initial response within 2 days	
4.	Prepare Signet messages on notice of death, letters of condolence	ir	ASAP following confirmation of Iformation & background	
5.	Prepare letters of congratulations on 25/35 years of service	\right\{ \right\}^2	As required	

#### POLICY DEVELOPMENT & ADVICE

#### Delivery Standard

Provide input or develop policy on a broad range of issues related to Human Resources	<b>\</b> .	required
2. Provide advice on Terms and Conditions of Employment for EX to management	As	required
3. Determine Acting Pay in conjunction with HPF	As	required
4. Manage Executive Employmen Transition policy	As	required



# PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT BUREAU 6. Services Centre

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Employee Assistance Program The **Services Centre (SERV)** provides a variety of programs and services to assist employees and their families to prepare for assignments overseas and on return to Canada. This includes managing the entire relocation process to, from and within Canada, and advising on benefits such as the Foreign Service directives, medical insurance, travel claims, family issues, and education information. The Centre also manages DFAIT's awards and recognition program.

Briefings and workshops are offered, covering a wide range of topics such as preparing for your overseas moves, managing your property, financial planning, taxation and customs, taking your teens abroad, care for elderly family members, staying healthy abroad, protocol, and retirement planning. There is also a series of workshops for spouses on topics such as job search, self-employment, portable careers, and community co-ordinators.

The Centre also provides a **resource centre** with reference documents, computers, telephones and a fax machine which are accessible to employees and dependants for their transition period. The centre is easily accessible from the main lobby and is open from 8:00 to 5:00. It also houses EAP counselling (HPDA), Career counselling (HPC), Security Cards (ISRG), Official Passports and visa photos services (ISRG), and the Foreign Service Community Association (FSCA).

Below we outline the service standards to which the Division has committed, under each service area.

The services areas include:

- Resource Centre and Reference Material;
- Administrative Information and Services:
- Education Information and Counselling;
- Briefings and Workshops;
- Spousal Employment;
- Awards and Recognition Program;
- Medical Appointment Coordination; and
- Domestic Relocations.



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## RESOURCE CENTRE & REFERENCE MATERIAL

#### **Delivery Standard**

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Employee Assistance Program 1. Resource centre accessible to employees/spouses with online computers and telephones available

Open from 08:00 to 17:00, Monday to Friday



2. Field general questions from government employees and dependents on services provided by the bureau

**Walk-in** - Immediate response

**Phone** - within 1 day **E-mail** - within 2 days



3. Post mission reports onto the Departmental intranet

Available on-line



4. Provide "Orientation to the Department" booklet and video

Available in the Centre



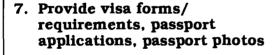
5. Maintain reference material on mission locations (books, maps, videos)

**Phone** - within 1 day



6. Maintain various administrative forms (Sun Life/Great West Life forms, physician forms, direct deposit, collective agreements, pension information, pay rates, Code of Conduct and Conflict of Interest forms, Departmental Health and Safety policy

Available in the Centre **Phone** - within 1 day



Forms available in the Centre Photo service available from 09:00 to 16:00



8. Passport office courier dropoff/pick-up for official passports

Two runs per day (11:00 & 15:00)





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#### ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION & SERVICES

#### Delivery Standard

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**Employee** Assistance , Program

1. Provide information and guidance to employees on meal, accommodation and exchange rates, moving/ storage companies, removal/ storage of personal effects, transportation, FSD benefits and entitlements

2. Provide guidance on completing travel claims, direct funds transfer and processing posting loans

3. Refer clients to proper

division/contact person on issues not handled by SERV 4. Coordinate incoming and

outgoing relocation, as well as monitoring the employee's shipment, includes briefing employees on FSD benefits while overseas, issuing posting loan, travel advance and incidental relocation allowance, customs procedures **Walk-in** - Immediate response

**Phone** - acknowledge within 2 days

**E-mail** - acknowledge within 2 days: 5 days (May-October)

Same as above



As required



Schedule appointment when PCF is issued (more than 1 interview usually required)

Transit time for HHE varies for each mission

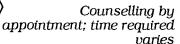
15 days to process any request for payment, if all documents provided

### **EDUCATION INFORMATION** & COUNSELLING

#### Delivery Standard

1. Provide up-to-date information and professional counselling on types of schools abroad and at HQ, domestic and international programs

Information provided within 2 days





2. Provide information on education along with links to web sites

Education information available on-line



3. Process FSD33 claims (Lycee Claudel)

10 days to process claims, if all required documents provided plus 15 more days to receive payment from PWGSC





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#### **BRIEFINGS & WORKSHOPS**

#### **Delivery Standard**

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1.	<b>Pre-posting briefings</b> - briefings
	and workshops related to the
	needs of rotational employees and their families

Confirmation of registration within 2 days Program offered from mid-February to end of June



2. **Re-entry briefings** - briefings and workshops related to the needs of rotational employees and their families

Confirmation of registration within 2 days
Offered from midSeptember to midNovember



3. Spousal workshops - offered to spouses of rotational employees or employees assigned on single assignments to assist in finding employment while abroad and when returning to Canada

Confirmation of registration within 2 days Offered from mid-February to June and from mid-September to mid-November



4. Retirement workshops - offered to employees and spouses to assist in their preparation for retirement Confirmation of registration within 2 days
Offered from midSeptember to end of March



#### SPOUSAL EMPLOYMENT

### Delivery Standard

 Provide information and assistance on job placements, building work search skills and networking

Acknowledge request within 2 days



2. Provide password and guidance on how to post resumes on the spousal databank

Acknowledge request within 2 days



3. Provide information, guidance and funding to missions hiring a community coordinator

Acknowledge request within 2 days



4. Provide audits and assistance to spouses regarding FSD17 claims

5 days to process claims, if all documents provided 15 more days to receive payment from PWGSC



5. Provide information and guidance to managers on the spousal databank

Within 2 days





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## SPOUSAL EMPLOYMENT cont'd

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Employee Assistance Program 6. Provide assistance in the completion of security clearances for spouses of rotational employees

Reviewed within 5 days if all reference checks can be reached and documents are properly completed ISRG requires 6 months to process clearance



7. Provide career counselling for spouses returning from post (through KPMG) - offered after completion of "Job Search Seminar" in the fall

5 hours of counselling scheduled directly with KPMG after Seminar must be used within 6 months



**AWARDS & RECOGNITION PROGRAM** 

**Delivery Standard** 

1. Respond to enquiries from employees, managers and divisions regarding eligibility for the different awards

Acknowledged within 2 days



2. Coordinate the nomination and selection process of award winners

Nominations for the various awards are advertised throughout the year



3. Coordinate the selection and purchase of awards

Ceremonies held throughout the year



4. Organize the awards ceremony

Ceremonies held throughout the year



5. Coordinate and organize Long Service Awards

Ceremonies held twice a year (June and December)



6. Coordinate and process Retirement Certificates

15 days to process





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#### MEDICAL APPOINTMENT COORDINATION Delivery Standard

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Employee Assistance Program 1. Arrange medical appointments with Occupational Health and Safety Agency (Health Canada) for DFAIT/ administrative arrangement personnel, assigned to and returning from abroad

Within 5 days of on-line request (PeopleSoft) Approximately 20 days for Health Canada to confirm

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results

2. Liaise between Department, divisions, employees and Occupational Health and Safety Agency (Health Canada)

Preliminary reply within 2 days of initial request



#### DOMESTIC RELOCATIONS

### Delivery Standard

location

1. Coordinate relocations within Canada for new recruits, employees and their families

Schedule appointment within 5 days of receipt of travel authority (usually require more than 1 interview)
Transit time of HHE effects will vary depending on



2. Provide financial disbursements to new recruits and employees for relocation

Contact client within 2 days of receiving letter of offer



3. Provide guidance with claims for accountable advances

Respond to initial enquiry within 2 days





# 7. Employee Assistance Program

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Employee Assistance Program The mandate of the **Employee Assistance Program (HPDA)** is to conserve and promote the mental health and general well-being of the employees and family members of this Department and of the international component of the Department of Citizenship and Immigration, and in doing so, help employees achieve and maintain their optimum level of work performance and workfamily life balance.

The EAP provides counselling services for all employees, both Canada-based and locally engaged staff (LES), and family members, on personal and work-related problems. The most common personal problems addressed are family/marital, psychological/emotional, alcohol/drug abuse, health, financial and legal difficulties. Work-related problems include job stress, interpersonal conflicts/harassment, and career orientation.

Counsellors provide a wide variety of advice, consultation and coaching services for managers/supervisors on how to deal with a difficult employee or situation and in a more general way, on how to improve their human resources management skills.

The EAP counsellors also provide **Critical Incident Stress Debriefings (CISD)** for those who have experienced a critical incident. Such incidents are events or situations which are considered to be outside normal human experience, such as political coups, civil war, natural disaster, or assault.

In addition, they develop and deliver briefings and training programs and organize noon-hour sessions.

Below we outline the service standards to which the Division has committed, under each service area.

The services areas include:

- Counselling Services;
- Executive Coaching and Consultation;
- Critical Incident Stress Debriefings;
- EAP Training/Information Sessions; and
- Conduct Mission Visits.



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#### **COUNSELLING SERVICES**

#### **Delivery Standard**

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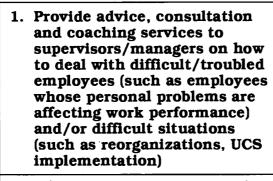
 Provide assessment, shortterm counselling, referral to community resources and follow-up services for Canadabased employees and LES and family members on personal and work-related problems

Same-day service or within 2 days. Emergency appointments accepted.

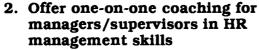


## EXECUTIVE COACHING & CONSULTATION

Delivery Standard



Same day service or within 2 days



Same day service or within 2 days



 Assist managers/supervisors with team-building by looking at their practices and processes, removing barriers to service delivery, and conflict resolution

Same day service or within 2 days for initial consultation Timing to be determined for implementation of activities





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## 7. Employee Assistance Program

#### CRITICAL INCIDENT STRESS **DEBRIEFINGS**

#### **Delivery Standard**

1. Provide psychological debriefings designed to prevent employees who have experienced a critical incident from developing long-term stress reactions

→ One-on-one debriefing

Same day service or within 2 days

Timing to be determined



→ Group debriefing

#### EAP TRAINING/INFORMATION SESSIONS Delivery Standard

1. Conduct information sessions for new, returning and preposting employees, designed to help them adjust to new situations and provide information on EAP services

On request



2. Develop/conduct training sessions on EAP-related issues

As requested



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#### **MISSION VISITS**

#### **Delivery Standard**

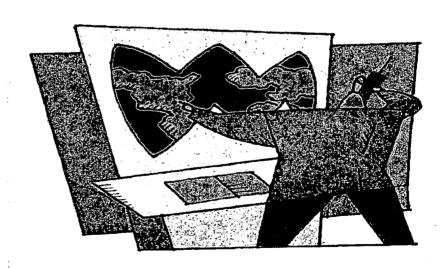
1. Conduct Mission visits - all of the above EAP services are available to our Missions

As requested



# Detailed Service Standards

# CANADIAN FOREIGN SERVICE INSTITUTE





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Management Services **The Canadian Foreign Service Institute** ensures the provision of relevant, effective and timely learning activities and organizational development services. It strives to meet the job and career-related needs of headquarters employees, as well as those of Canada-based and locally-engaged staff at missions abroad.

#### **QUALITATIVE STANDARDS**

The Institute applies the widely-accepted standards of the **Systems Approach to Training** in order to provide high quality service in each of the following established training disciplines:

#### Needs Analysis

- a proactive approach is taken to anticipate and determine the training needs of the Department;
- a consultative process is maintained with clients, mutual agreement is established on timelines and expected results;
- data is obtained through a wide variety of methodologies, such as personal interviews, focus groups, survey instruments, audit reports and other documentation:
- data is thoroughly analyzed in order to establish realistic and measurable learning objectives; and
- learning objectives are reviewed and endorsed by senior management and business-line stakeholders.

#### Design and Development

- training design is governed by the requirement to provide the most efficient and effective means of attaining the learning objectives;
- best practices and innovative techniques of adult learning are incorporated;
- activities are included to engage learners and provide them with opportunities to demonstrate and practice the required competency;
- customized training is designed to meet unique requirements of specific organizational units;
- course materials are designed to serve as reference resources and job aids; and
- course content is regularly reviewed by subject-matter experts to ensure accuracy and appropriateness.

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#### Delivery

- one or more pilot deliveries are carried out to assess the effectiveness of training materials and ensure learning objectives are met;
- a delivery schedule is established and published in advance in order to ensure timely notice of training offerings;
- a variety of techniques are employed to regularly advise staff of new and existing training opportunities;
- employees are advised of registration procedures and provided with confirmation of enrollment within 48 hours of receipt of application;
- employees are reminded of course enrollment a few days prior to delivery;
- participants are provided with a course outline and advised of learning objectives;
- all necessary equipment and supplies are provided to support the learning process;
- individual development is supported through the provision of funded programs;
- applications are responded to within 48 hours of receipt; and
- data is collected and maintained on all course registration and participation.

#### Evaluation and Validation

- all deliveries are evaluated to determine that learning objectives have been achieved;
- follow-up assessments are carried out to establish the retention of learning and longer term benefits of training;
- course content and effectiveness is regularly validated to identify revision requirements for future deliveries;
- an annual evaluation of departmental training activities is carried out in partnership with the Departmental Inspector General; and
- all evaluation data is analyzed to ensure the continued effectiveness of training interventions and satisfaction of participants.

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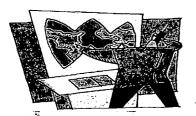
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#### ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE OF THE INSTITUTE

CFSI consists of four Learning Centres and Management Services for the Institute:

- Centre For Language Training (CFSL);
- Centre For International Affairs Learning And Management Development (CFSD);
- Centre For Corporate Services Learning (CFSS);
- Centre For Intercultural Learning (CFSC); and
- Management Services.

The service delivery structure will be described in the following pages and the service standards will be listed by types of services within each of the Learning Centres and Management Services.



# 2. Centre for Language Training

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Management Services The **Centre for Language Training (CFSL)** offers foreign language courses in 42 languages, in addition to training in official languages. Courses are offered throughout the year, either on a full or part-time basis, or through distance training. The successful completion of foreign language courses is evaluated by a battery of tests developed and administered by the Testing Unit. Students can benefit from new training technologies by using the multimedia laboratory and the Virtual Campus.

Below we outline the service standards to which the Division has committed, under each service area.

The service areas include:

- Client Services;
- Course Development and Teaching;
- Testing;
- Validation and Quality Control; and
- Program Offerings.



# 2. Centre for Language Training

#### **CLIENT SERVICES**

#### **Delivery Standard**

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Respond to candidates'     requests for information and     placement tests		Within 2 days	
2. Send out course confirmation	$\rangle$	At least 10 days prior to course	

1	COURSE DEVELOPMENT & TEACHING		Delivery Stand	ard
1.	Conduct needs analysis to help define course content		As required	
2.	Conduct surveys to verify student needs around course calendars and scheduling		Periodically	
3.	Update course plans, based on results of needs analysis		Regularly	
4.	Teachers are native speakers, trained in the communicative approach		Requirements for all teachers	
5.	Teaching is supported by up-to-date teaching materials		Textbooks, software, reference material & electronic resources	

#### TESTING

## Delivery Standard

1.	Conduct placement tests to determine proficiency level and form homogeneous groups	$\sum_{i}$	For all non-beginner	
2.	Conduct testing during training		All full-time students tested periodicall	
3.	Conduct proficiency testing at the end of training	$\overline{\ \ }$	All full-time students	



## 2. Centre for Language Training

#### **VALIDATION & QUALITY CONTROL**

#### Delivery Standard

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- 1. Language Training Advisors conduct classroom observations
  - **→** Long-term courses
  - ⇒ Short-term courses

At least once per month Once or twice for duration



2. Evaluate training received at the end of each course

All students must complete a detailed questionnaire



3. Analyze course evaluation results and forward to the training provider

Provider must make necessary adjustments in future courses



4. Validate course content and adjust course plans accordingly

Every 2 years



#### PROGRAM OFFERINGS

Delivery Standard

- 1. Foreign Languages Pre-Departure Courses Long-term
  - → Available in 8 languages: Arabic, Chinese, German, Italian, Japanese, Portuguese, Russian and Spanish
  - → Offered to employees required to reach an advanced level of proficiency in a language to perform their duties abroad
  - Missions determine which positions require this advanced level; assignment officers select participants

Courses last from 6 months to 2 years, depending on difficulty



Courses 1 year or longer begin in early September Others start at various lates, depending on client

Others start at various dates, depending on client availability and course duration

Candidates pre-tested to determine language aptitude and learning style

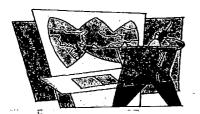
- 2. Foreign Languages Pre-Departure Courses Short-term (Social Integration)
  - ➡ Intended for employees who have been assigned abroad and their families (spouse and children over 14)
  - □ Content based on everyday living situations and aimed at facilitating social integration

Group courses available in 42 languages



Duration of 1-3 months depending on difficulty

Offered from February to August, following preestablished calendar



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#### PROGRAM OFFERINGS cont'd

#### Delivery Standard

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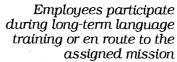
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### 3. Foreign Languages - Linguistic Immersion Abroad

- Offered in Mexico, Italy, Germany, Jordan, Japan and
- ➤ Available to employees who are (or will be) posted abroad and who have attained an intermediate level of proficiency in the target language
- ⇒ CFSL selects schools, sets training criteria and develops training programs
- CFSL administers and evaluates the program

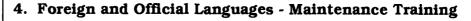
Duration of 2-6 weeks



Employees at Post may attend the training during the first half of their posting, in certain cases

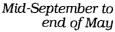
Family residence is compulsory where possible

CFSL maintains regular contact with providers to ensure quality

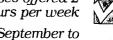


- Offered in Spanish, Arabic, Japanese, Mandarin, Italian, Portuguese, German and Russian
- ➡ Help employees and spouses develop or maintain their language skills in both official languages and in the most commonly taught foreign languages

Group courses offered 2 hours per week



Students in part-time courses are given proficiency test at end of course if warranted by length of training





## 5. Foreign and Official Languages - Distance Training

- Currently offered in English, French, Arabic, Japanese, Spanish, Mandarin, German and Italian
- Focus on reading and writing skills for employees who already have some knowledge of the target language
- Offered by E-mail or through . the Virtual Campus

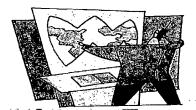
8-week sessions

Begin in September, January and April

Candidates given pre-test to determine proficiency level

> Homework assigned weekly, corrected and annotated by teacher





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## 6. Foreign and Official Languages - Training Outside Working Hours

■ Under certain conditions, employees can obtain partial reimbursement of the cost of training in official or foreign languages

Training requests may be submitted at any time throughout the year



#### 7. Foreign Languages - Mission-Based Training

■ Under certain conditions, CFSL allocates funds to missions wishing to purchase language training in official or foreign languages Missions must submit funding requests in the summer



Courses generally offered from October to April

## 8. Official Languages - Long-term Training

→ Offered to employees who must reach a certain level of proficiency in French or English to meet the requirements of their position

→ CFSL ensures courses given by Language Training Canada are meeting needs of employees Based on Official Languages Policy, can last up to a year



Most courses given by Language Training Canada

CFSL organizes some courses in French, offered at DFAIT



# 3. Centre for International Affairs Learning & Management Development

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Below we outline the service standards to which the Division has committed, under each service area.

The service areas include:

- General Enquiries;
- Customization of Existing Courses;
- New Course Development;
- Organizational Development; and
- Individual Professional Training and Course Offerings.



## 3. Centre for International Affairs Learning & Management Development

#### **GENERAL ENQUIRIES**

#### **Delivery Standard**

1. Provide information on existing courses - content, suitability, availability

1 day

1 day



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## CUSTOMIZATION OF EXISTING COURSES

Delivery Standard

1. Respond to request for information

Negotiated with client

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2. Conduct in-depth needs analysis, including interviews and focus group(s)

Negotiated with client based on agreed timeline Follow-up done in 4-6 months



#### **NEW COURSE DEVELOPMENT**

#### **Delivery Standard**

1. Respond to request for information

1 day



2. Conduct preliminary analysis

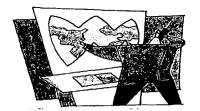
7 days



3. Conduct in-depth analysis, including surveys, focus group(s) and validation of findings

Negotiated on a case-by-case basis





3. Centre for International Affairs Learning & Management Development

#### ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

**Delivery Standard** 

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Retreats, organizational issues and communications group	s within	a
Respond to initial request for information	1 day	
Establish objectives, possible Negotiated with analysis through survey tool Follow-up in 3 m		<u>Z</u>
2. Team-building		
Respond to initial request for information	1 day	
Conduct analysis, including interviews and/or survey  Negotiated with Follow-up in 3 me		<u> </u>
3. Strategic planning		
<ul> <li>Respond to initial request for information</li> <li>Conduct analysis with client</li> </ul>	1 day	
Analysis of documents and Negotiated with interviews	client	

## INDIVIDUAL PROFESSIONAL TRAINING (IPT) & COURSE OFFERINGS

focused on advocate methods

for the systematic promotion

of specific Canadian interests

Delivery Standard

Use engaging learning

techniques and provide

useful resource materials

Respond to initial request for information		1 day	
2. Process and approve requests		3 days after receipt of complete application	
3. Public Diplomacy			
Employees requiring this specific training participate in a customized programme	1	Courses reviewed and updated annually Presented by SMEs	



## 3. Centre for International Affairs earning & Management Development.

#### **COURSE OFFERINGS**

#### **Delivery Standard**

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#### 4. International Business Development/Trade/Economic Policy

Specialized training in areas including Bilateral and Multilateral Negotiations, Economic Diplomacy, and Trade Policy and Market Access, custom-made for **DFAIT** employees

Courses reviewed and updated annually

Presented by SMEs



Use engaging learning techniques and provide useful resource materials

#### 5. International Security and Cooperation

Courses on Canada-U.S. Relations, Canadian Foreign Policy, Conflict Prevention, Human Rights, International Security, International Law, Multilateral Diplomacy, Political/Economic Practice and a preparatory course for U.N.G.A., customized for **DFAIT** employees

Offered to targeted audiences



Reviewed and updated annually

Presented by SMEs

Use lively traning techniques and provide useful resources materials

#### 4. Management Development and Leadership

- ➤ Managing Staff Abroad, the Middle Management Development Programme, Supervisory Development, Strategic Leadership
- **→** Directors Orientation Programme, Heads of Mission Programme and Program Managers Abroad Programme

Offered to managers at all levels, at HQ and abroad



group of managers with specific responsibilities

Offered to well-defined

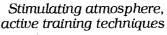
All courses reviewed and updated annually

Intensive, customized training, using engaging learning techniques, presented by skilled experts

#### 5. Core Competencies for Officers

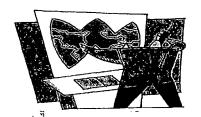
→ Offers fundamentals in such areas as Oral Communication, Project Management and Writing Strategically

Customized training delivered by experts





Courses reviewed and updated annually



## 4. Centre for Corporate Services Learning

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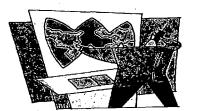
The Centre for Corporate Services Learning (CFSS) is responsible for the analysis, development, design, delivery and evaluation of training for: information management technology. integrated management system (IMS), corporate services (personnel administration, contracting, grants & contributions, foreign service directives, health and safety, property and materiel, financial management), entry level Management Consular Officers, Information Assistant Certificate Programme and Locally Engaged Staff.

The division also funds consular training, SERV pre-retirement courses, and some security training.

Below we outline the service standards to which the Centre has committed, for each program it offers.

The service areas include:

Program Offerings.



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#### 1. Entry-level MCO Program

- Core Programme and streamspecific training
- Stream-specific subjects include Financial Management, Personnel Administration and Property Management

Offered September-May Well-designed, bilingual, job-related material High calibre trainers Case studies, exercises & course evaluations



#### 2. LES In-Canada Program

- ► Provides LES with valuable first-hand experience of Canadian culture and HQ environment and expanded understanding of being part of a global operation resulting in increased operational effectiveness
- → Offers the opportunity to receive classroom instruction, on-site expertise, and face-to-face time with HQ contacts to promote effective teamwork between HQ and missions

Delivered in Canada
Each course is specific to
designated target group
Offered September-May
In French & English
Well-designed, job-related
material
High calibre trainers/SMEs
Case studies, exercises &



#### 3. Integrated Management System Programme

- Offered to critical users in HQ and at missions, with a competency exam administered at the end
- Consists of many courses available in classroom or by Distant Learning

Offered on as-required basis

course evaluations



Well-designed, bilingual, job-related material High calibre trainers Course evaluations

#### 4. Information Management and Technology Programme

- Consists of courses related to information management and the SIGNET desktop tools
- Made available through CFSI Virtual

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Each course offered at least every 2 months in English and French Well-designed, bilingual, job-related material High calibre trainers Exercises and course evaluations





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#### PROGRAM OFFERINGS cont'd

#### Delivery Standard

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#### 5. Information Assistant Certificate Program

- Offered to designated target group of Administrative Assistants, based on competencies in information management and technology
- □ Competency exam administered at the end of the course and graduates certified to perform IMT duties at an advanced level

Offered September-May
Well-designed, bilingual,
competency-based material
High calibre trainers
Participants must pass
pre-assessment test
Competency assessments
administered throughout
program



#### 6. General Administration Program

→ Includes training such as
Orientation for New
Employees and Occupational
Health & Safety courses, as
well as a range of distance
learning and self-study
courses on such topics as
Client Services and Written
Communications

Delivered to the general population of the department Offered on as-required basis Well-designed, bilingual, job-related material High calibre trainers Case studies, exercises &

course evaluations



#### 7. Financial Management Program

- Consists of a series of Financial Management courses
- → Available to indeterminate and determinate employees who are responsible for managing financial resources

Well-designed, bilingual, competency-based material
High calibre trainers
Case studies & exercises to assess competency in financial management
Course evaluations





## 5. Centre for Intercultural Learning

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Management Services The **Centre for Intercultural Learning (CFSC)** provides training to enhance the intercultural effectiveness of DFAIT and Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA) personnel, of partners and executing agencies. It also serves a growing number of other individuals and organizations on a cost recovery basis.

Below we outline the service standards to which the Centre has committed, for each program it offers.

The service areas include:

- Administration & Registration; and
- Program Offerings.



### 5. Centre for Intercultural Learning

## ADMINISTRATION & REGISTRATION

#### Delivery Standard

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Respond to voice-mail and E-mail messages	1 day	
2. Respond to request for information (i.e., documentation, anthologies)	3-5 days If longer, agree on timeline with client	
3. Respond to request for registration	Form sent within 1 day	
4. Confirm registration	Within 2 days of receipt of registration forms	

#### **COURSE OFFERINGS**

#### Delivery Standard

#### 1. Intercultural Effectiveness (for DFAIT personnel)

- → A three-day pre-posting course on intercultural effectiveness
- → Addresses three broad themes: culture (generic and Canadian), culture of the host country, and issues of adaptation
- → Provide reminder (DFAIT predeparture courses)

Offered twice in English and twice in French during the spring Pre-Posting Season

3-5 days prior to course

#### 2. Intercultural Effectiveness (for LES)

- ➤ A half-day module on intercultural awareness within the context of the LES in-Canada training programs
- Covers the concept of culture, different cultural values, and issues of adaptation to the Canada-based staff who change every few years, as well as to their different work styles



Delivered in either French or English Offered at the request of the CFSS/CFSD program manager



### 5. Centre for Intercultural Learning

#### COURSE OFFERINGS cont'd

Delivery Standard

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- 3. Preparation to Intercultural Effectiveness for Social Integration Program CFSL Foreign Language Students and Teachers
  - ➡ Half-day module on intercultural effectiveness within the context of the SCSL Social Integration Program
  - ➤ An opportunity for the students and their professors to explore how they can profit from their interactions during their language courses
  - → Allows the students to learn more about the cultural contexts of their future assignments and to better prepare themselves concerning their intercultural effectiveness overseas

Offered once a month

in English and in French

the Pre-Posting Season

from April-August, during





## **6. Management Services**

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CFSI's **Management Services Division** provides the Institute's centres with financial, contracting, human resources, technical and administrative support, and registration and evaluation services. It manages and coordinates training evaluation with SIE, CFSI communication products, as well as the Bisson campus and other training facilities.

Below we outline the service standards to which Management Services has committed, under each service area.

The service areas include:

- Training Requests;
- Training Calendar; and
- Requests from the Public.



6. Management Services

#### TRAINING REQUESTS

#### Delivery Standard

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1.	Process training applications and send confirmation to clients		2 days	
2.	Process requests for training reports (individual, divisional or other)		2 days	
3.	Process requests for training calendars and forward by internal mail		1 day Electronic copy available on CFSI's Intranet	
4.	Process LES logistic requests for in-Canada programs	$\sum_{i}$	2 days	
5.	Process requests for course evaluation results		1 day	
6.	Process requests for books/ materials related to language training	) 1 2	1 day	
7.	Process requests for book loans or other pedagogical items for language training		1 day	
8.	Process room/equipment reservations for Bisson or Asticou classes	$\sum_{i}$	1 day	

#### TRAINING CALENDAR

#### Delivery Standard

1. Publish yearly training calendar of all DFAIT course offerings

1st week of September



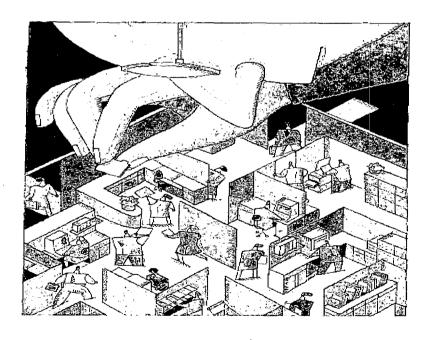
#### REQUESTS FROM THE PUBLIC

#### Delivery Standard

1. Process requests from the public received through CFSI's internet site

2 days







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