

Annual Report 2006 and 2007



**Canadian Peacebuilding
Coordinating Committee
(CPCC)**

The Canadian Peacebuilding Coordinating Committee (CPCC)

is a member-based network of Canadian based organizations and individuals actively involved in peacebuilding practice and policy development.

Our Mission

The Canadian Peacebuilding Coordinating Committee's overarching objective is to support greater and more effective Canadian participation in peacebuilding activities internationally by:

- Enabling peacebuilding and human security policy dialogue and policy development involving Canadian non-governmental and governmental agencies and individuals and others;
- Enabling active collaboration and knowledge exchange between Canadian peacebuilding organizations and their international counterparts; and
- Undertaking and facilitating systematic learning and dissemination and application of learning related to peacebuilding objectives, practices and outcomes.

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Working Group Activity Highlights

March 2006 – April 2007

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CHILDREN & ARMED CONFLICT (Forum on CAC) *Dialogue with UN Special Representative*

The Forum hosted the new UN Special Representative on Children and Armed Conflict. A dialogue was held with DFAIT, CIDA, and NGOs on the status and challenges in the field. NGOs had a separate session with the representative on the role of NGOs.

Great Lakes Initiative

The Forum undertook the Great Lakes Initiative, a project based on a previously commissioned discussion paper. CAC Forum met with Ambassador Leahy, who chaired the Friends of the Great Lakes to discuss how diplomats could advance child protection in the Great Lakes Region. The meeting was followed with correspondence which was used to raise the profile of these issues.

GENDER & PEACEBUILDING (GPWG)

Research Report: Women, Peace and Security: The Canadian NGO Experience

In 2006, the GPWG commissioned a survey and analysis of how Canadian NGOs are working to advance gender equality and women's rights in conflict contexts through the women, peace and security framework. The report offers practical recommendations for civil society and the Government of Canada to further their work in addressing the needs and rights of women and girls in conflict-affected areas. The final report was approximately 35 pages and was made available in hard copy and electronically in both official languages. It was initially disseminated during a briefing session held at the International Development Research Centre (IDRC) in March 2007 and is available on the CPCC Web site: <http://peacebuild.ca/upload/Final%20NGO%20Report%20EN.pdf>.

International Women's Day Conference

On March 5, 2007 the GPWG co-hosted an International Women's Day (IWD) conference with the International Development Research Centre (IDRC). The objective was to highlight major issues on the elimination of all forms of discrimination and violence against the girl child. Panels included research on the impact of gender discrimination on sex ratios in India, how girls survive in situations of violence and armed conflict, and challenges in responding to gender-based violence. Approximately 60 people participated in the event and a conference report, entitled *Gender-based Discrimination and Violence: The Experiences of Girls and Adolescent Girls* was produced.

CONFLICT PREVENTION (CPWG)

Dialogue on Collaboration in the Americas on Conflict Prevention

In May 2006, a workshop was held to increase inter-American collaboration on conflict prevention. Participants from civil society in Latin America, the

Caribbean, the U.S and Canada shared experiences and better practices on early responses to emerging conflicts and to identified opportunities for collaboration and partnerships on the theme of conflict prevention in the Americas.

PEACE OPERATIONS (POWG)

Peace Operations Monitor

In the summer of 2006 the POWG launched the first phase of an ambitious project, *Civilian Monitoring of Complex Peace Operations: The Peace Operations Monitor*. (POM <http://pom.peacebuild.ca/>) The POM is a web-based resource providing comprehensive and up-to-date information on international peace operations. The phase one of the POM focused on peace operations in Afghanistan.

Vancouver World Peace Forum Workshop

In June 2006, the POWG sponsored a workshop at the Vancouver World Peace Forum. The workshop, held at the Liu Institute, UBC, addressed a range of measures for enhancing international peacekeeping capacity, including discussion of UNEPS, the proposal for a United Nations Emergency Peace Service. Guest speakers included Prof. Robert Johansen (University Notre Dame), editor of a new book on UNEPS, Prof Peter Langille, (University of Western Ontario) and Waverly DeBruijn (Global Action to Prevent War).

SMALL ARMS & LIGHT WEAPONS (SAWG)

Small Arms Policy Brief Presentation

In June 2006, the SAWG met with Government officials to present the Small Arms Policy Brief produced from the Matrix research project analyzing the developments in the UN Programme of Action process on small arms transfer controls, brokering, demand, national regulations and follow-up process. The policy brief provided recommendations to government to pursue at the UN Review Conference. Members of the SAWG acted as researchers and took part in the meeting

United Nations Conference

In July 2006 SAWG members attended the two-week United Nations Conference to Review Progress Made in the Implementation of the Programme of Action to Prevent, Combat and Eradicate the Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons in All Its Aspects (Review Conference) in New York. The conference was the first review of the 2001 Programme of Action (PoA). The meeting provided an opportunity for states to discuss and agree on further action needed to fully implement the PoA. SAWG members took part in the official meetings, side-bar events and NGO lobbying and advocacy activities. A Project Ploughshares representative was part of the official government delegation and Canadian NGOs met with officials informally throughout the duration of the meeting.

Secretariat Activity Highlights

March 2006 – April 2007

CIDA-DFAIT Briefing

In November, CPCC organized a one-day session with representatives from the Department of Foreign Affairs and International and Canadian International Development Agency to brief members on Government of Canada peacebuilding priorities.

9th Annual Peacebuilding and Human Security Dialogue

CPCC organized a Dialogue on “Drivers of Conflict and Drivers of Peace” between members of Canada’s governmental, non-governmental and academic communities to discuss current and emerging issues in the fields of peacebuilding and human security. Approximately 305 participants attended. Participants included keynote speaker Lakhdar Brahimi, former Special Advisor to the UN Secretary General, as well as a wide range of Canadian and international panelists and moderators. Discussions took place in 15 thematic sessions, with 50 formal presentations. Topics included the Global Policy Agenda, Opportunities and Challenges for Canada, and the Gender Dimension.

Sudan Briefing Note

The CPCC Secretariat worked with members of the Sudan Interagency Reference Group (SIARG) and other NGO representatives to draft and disseminate a briefing note on developments related to Sudan. An information-sharing meeting was also organized with members of the Sudan Task Force at Foreign Affairs. Topics of discussion included the Comprehensive Peace Agreement, developments in South Sudan, the African Union and United Nations missions in Sudan, humanitarian assistance, human rights and rule of law issues.



Treasurer's Report

The 2006-2007 fiscal year represented CPCC's second full year as a corporate entity. While our commitment to fiscal accountability facilitated delivery of maximum impact for members, a funding gap at the beginning of the fiscal year presented, yet again, a considerable challenge to the network. After March 31st, 2006, funds for the 2006-2007 fiscal year were not received until August 2006

Although 2006-07 was a challenging fiscal year, CPCC achieved operating revenues of \$453,998, which was an increase of \$76,596 from last fiscal year.

Virtually all of the budget was allocated from DFAIT's Human Security Program.

Prior to CIDA funding being provided in June, CPCC received support from IDRC, Rights and Democracy and Amnesty for the Roundtable on Political Rights in Ethiopia that took place at the beginning of May.

However, in spite of the increments in funding, cyclical funding gaps and overall insecurity about future funding prospects presented the network a great challenge. The absence of stable or multiyear funding hampers long-term planning and productivity as do annual funding gaps, which suspend the network's momentum, producing a state of near-dormancy, staff lay-offs and a depletion of reserves.

Nonetheless, the fact that CPCC's work is so highly valued by peacebuilding actors (governmental and non-governmental), is a testament to its impact, relevance and potential in spite of the financial challenges faced by the network.

Joanne Lebert
CPCC Treasurer



Financial Statements

Balance Sheet

March 31, 2007

with comparative figures for 2006

	2007	2006
ASSETS		
Current	\$47,828	\$ -
Cash		
Accounts receivable	24,468	90,591
Prepaid expenses	<u>1,477</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>\$73,773</u>	<u>\$90,591</u>

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

Current		
Bank indebtedness	\$ -	\$ 6,245
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	33,019	15,112
Deferred revenue	<u>689</u>	<u>40,923</u>
	33,708	62,280
Net Assets		
Unrestricted net assets	\$ <u>40,065</u>	\$ <u>28,311</u>
	<u>\$73,773</u>	<u>\$90,591</u>

Statement of Operations

For the year ended March 31, 2007

	2007	2006
REVENUE		
Contributions – DFAIT	\$405,391	\$245,635
Contributions – IDRC	38,797	61,178
Contributions – CIDA	-	43,164
Contributions – Simons Foundation	-	15,000
Membership fees	9,622	11,413
Other	<u>188</u>	<u>1,012</u>
	<u>\$453,998</u>	<u>\$377,402</u>
EXPENSES		
Salary & benefits	\$120,396	\$105,360
Grants	69,894	55,448
Rent	18,691	20,156
Contracts	55,745	28,914
Travel & meetings	50,638	144,885
Purchased services	46,090	28,951
Professional fees	15,562	11,903
Communications	26,065	6,129
Executive committee	671	2,188
Office	7,051	8,069
Professional development	906	-
Telephone	4,095	2,809
Research	<u>26,440</u>	<u>4,500</u>
	<u>442,244</u>	<u>419,312</u>
Net Revenue (expenditure) for the year	<u>\$11,754</u>	<u>\$(41,910)</u>

The above data is summarized from the 2007 financial statements audited by Ousley Hanvey Clipsham Deep LLP. A complete set is available upon request from CPCC.

Organizational Members

1. Alternatives
2. Amnesty International Canada
3. The Bahá'i Community of Canada
4. CANADEM
5. The Canadian Association for Mine and Explosive Ordnance (CAMEO) Security
6. Canadian Council for International Cooperation (CCIC)
7. The Canadian Foundation for the Americas, FOCAL
8. Canadian Friends Service Committee
9. Canadian Institute of Conflict Resolution
10. Canadian International Institute of Applied Negotiation
11. The Canadian Pugwash Group
12. Canadian UNICEF Committee
13. Canadian Voice of Women for Peace
14. CARE Canada
15. Centre for Military and Strategic Studies, University of Calgary
16. Civilian Peace Service Canada
17. CHF -- partners in rural development
18. CECI -- Centre d'Étude et de Coopération Internationale
19. CUSO
20. Development Workshop
21. Federation of Canadian Municipalities
22. The Group of 78
23. Human Rights Internet
24. IMPACS: Institute for Media, Policy and Civil Society
25. Institute of Peace and Conflict Studies, Conrad Grebel University College
26. International Bureau for Children's Rights
27. Kashmiri-Canadian Council
28. The North-South Institute
29. Parliamentary Centre
30. Mennonite Central Committee Canada
31. Oxfam Canada
32. Partnership Africa Canada (PAC)
33. Pearson Peacekeeping Centre
34. Physicians for Global Survival Canada
35. Plan International Canada Inc.
36. Primate's World Relief and Development Fund
37. Project Ploughshares
38. Solidarity Committee for Ethiopian Political Prisoners – Canada (SOCEPP-Canada)
39. Unitarian Universalists United Nations Office
40. United Church of Canada
41. World Vision Canada
42. World Federalist Movement - Canada
43. YouCan (Youth Canada Association)

Individual Members

1. Ian Anderson
2. Jean Jacques Blais
3. Juan Antonio Blanco
4. Oscar Boloko
5. Lorne Braun
6. Susan Brown
7. Grégoire Crevier
8. Jessica Davis
9. Tag Elkhazin
10. Ross Fancis
11. Douglas Fraser
12. Janet Hudgins
13. David Jackman
14. Erin Barbara Koenig
15. Trafton H. Koenig
16. Flora MacDonald
17. Mahmoud Masaeli
18. Aubrey Morantz
19. Carole Nap
20. Zoe Nielsen
21. Gerald Ohlsen
22. Peter Langille
23. Rena Ramkay
24. Riccardo Rossi-Ricci
25. Jean-Pierre Mulago Shamvu
26. Ian Smillie
27. Flaurie Storie
28. Laura Stovel
29. Jon Unruh
30. Kathy Vandergrift
31. Beth Woroniuk