# Secretariat of the National Security and Intelligence Committee of Parliamentarians' 2024-25 Departmental plan at a glance

A departmental plan describes a department's priorities, plans and associated costs for the upcoming three fiscal years.

• Vision, mission, raison d'être and operating context

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## Key priorities

- Supporting the completion of the Committee's review of the Foreign Interference in Canada's Democratic Processes;
- Supporting the Committee's review of the challenges associated with the lawful interception of communications by the security and intelligence community;
- Supporting the completion of the Committee's 2023-24 Annual Report, which will include an overview of the Committee's activities in the past year;
- Supporting the Committee's deliberations on its forward review plan;
- Supporting the Committee's engagement with the security and intelligence community, international partners and stakeholders, including academics, non-governmental organizations and civil rights groups, to help build a broader perspective on the issues facing the security and intelligence community; and
- Supporting the Committee's engagement with Parliament on the National Security and Intelligence Committee of Parliamentarians Act (NSICOP Act) five-year review.

# **Refocusing Government Spending**

In Budget 2023, the government committed to reducing spending by \$14.1 billion over the next five years, starting in 2023–24, and by \$4.1 billion annually after that.

While not officially part of this spending reduction exercise, the Secretariat of the National Security and Intelligence Committee of Parliamentarians will respect the spirit of this exercise by doing the following:

- Reducing spending on travel.
- Reducing spending on hospitality including by adopting the green procurement of certain supplies.

- Reducing spending on professional services.
- The figures in this departmental plan reflect these reductions.

## Highlights

A Departmental Results Framework consists of an organization's core responsibilities, the results it plans to achieve, and the performance indicators that measure progress toward these results.

## Parliamentary review of national security and intelligence activities

Departmental results:

• Enhancing transparency and accountability of the national security framework.

*Planned spending:* The planned spending for this core responsibility for 2024–25 is \$2,635,805. *Planned human resources:* 8 full time equivalents for this core responsibility for 2024–25.

The Secretariat will assist the Committee in bringing its review of the Foreign Interference in Canada's Democratic Processes to a conclusion. The Secretariat will support the Committee in its review announced in August 2022 of the challenges associated with the lawful interception of communications. The Secretariat will assist the Committee in developing its forward review plan by developing review proposals for the Committee's consideration. The Secretariat will support the Committee in the completion of its 2023-24 Annual Report. The Secretariat will support the Committee's engagement with Parliament for the five-year review of the NSICOP Act. Throughout the year, the Secretariat will facilitate the Committee's engagement with national security and intelligence stakeholders, including its internal counterparts.

More information about the review by parliamentarians of national security and intelligence activities can be found in the full <u>departmental plan</u>.

#### Internal services

Departmental results:

• Ensuring that the Secretariat is effectively and efficiently meeting its corporate responsibilities.

*Planned spending:* The planned spending for this core responsibility for 2024–25 is \$1,084,795. *Planned human resources:* 3 full time equivalent for this core responsibility for 2024–25.

Internal Services refer to the activities and resources of ten distinct services that support program delivery in the organization, regardless of the Internal Services delivery model in a department. These services are: Acquisition Management Services, Communications Services, Financial Management Services, Human Resources Management Services, Information Management Services, Information Technology Services, Legal Services, Materiel Management Services, Management and Oversight Services and Real Property Management Services.

More information about internal services can be found in the full departmental plan.