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2nd Conference on RBC and the OECD Guidelines

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Global Affairs Canada

Canada's NCP

Inter-Ministerial Committee, 7 members:

Global Affairs Canada (Chair, Executive Director, Secretariat and Development representative)

Natural Resources Canada (Vice-Chair)

Environment and Climate Change Canada

Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada

Employment and Social Development Canada

Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada

Finance Canada

Secretariat housed at Global Affairs Canada; Chair is DG of Trade Commissioner Service, Operations

Budget for Secretariat and mediation (if required): Trade Commissioner Service, Operations/GAC

Structural Benefits

Canada's interagency NCP model allows:

Access to expertise in various Ministries (environment, labour, natural resources...)

Access to other departments outside its seven members if other expertise is required (e.g. legal advice)

Bringing a whole-of-government perspective to issues raised and activities undertaken in the NCP context;

Increased policy coherence: integration within government favours the effective diffusion of Guidelines across Ministries

A broader spectrum of stakeholders can be reached as each ministry has a different primary constituency base.

Bring the required level of accountability to Canada's domestic legal, regulatory, and administrative requirements.

Broad Stakeholder Engagement

NCP Social Partners:

Canadian Chamber of Commerce

Canadian Labour Congress

Confédération des syndicats nationaux du Québec

Stakeholders sessions and other promotional activities on the OECD MNE Guidelines and the NCP

Consultations on Proactive Agenda topics:

Due Diligence on Stakeholder Engagement in the Extractive Sector

Financial Sector – Institutional Investors

Ready- Made Garment Sector

NCP + Government Policy Coherence

NCP is a key component of Canada's CSR Strategy which:

Promotes and advances international CSR standards including Guidelines

Includes dialogue-facilitation processes (CSR Counsellor, NCP)

Fosters networks and partnerships

Strengthens the environment/governance locally

Sets consequences for companies

Access to Government of Canada trade advocacy and economic support in foreign markets contingent on a company's CSR practices and engaging in good faith with NCP and CSR Counsellor

Strong NCP links to Trade Commissioner Service/ Embassies/Export Credit Agency/ investment promotion agencies

Public procurement, anti-corruption measures

Working to enhance consistency and Guidelines awareness within Government & Crown Corporations



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Some Additional Thoughts

Withdrawal of trade advocacy in foreign markets:

We are aware that it has concrete adverse consequences for the company

Expected to enhance companies' engagement

Incentives for Notifiers to come to the table (not just companies)

Defining success: trust building is part of the success

Building experience and capacity with NCP-led mediation

Looking ahead: enhanced transparency and follow-ups

Thank you!

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