COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS ON POLITICAL PARTY AND CAMPAIGN FINANCING

APPENDIX No. 1

Matrix for collection of information on normative frameworks

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Note: Unless otherwise stated, the information provided in the following pages summarizes provisions of the *Canada Elections Act* [S.C. 2000, c.9], as modified (on January 1, 2004) by Bill C-24, An Act to Amend the *Canada Elections Act* and the *Income Tax Act* (political financing) [S.C. 2003, c.19]

I. NATURE OF FINANCING REGIMENS (PUBLIC, PRIVATE AND MIXED)

A. GOVERNMENT DIRECT FUNDING		
1. Conditions for eligibility:	Candidates must obtain at least 10% of the valid votes Registered political parties must obtain at least 2% of the valid votes cast nationally or 5% in the electoral districts where they ran candidates.	
2. Limits / amounts:	Qualifying candidates:	
	Qualifying candidates who incur less than 30% of their election expenses limit receive 15% of their election expenses limit. Candidates who incur at least 30% of their election expenses limit receive the lesser of 60% of their actual election expenses (minus the 15% mentioned above), or 60% of their election expenses limit.	
	Qualifying registered political parties:	
	For the first general election held on or after January 1, 2004, qualifying registered political parties receive 60% of their actual election expenses. Thereafter, they receive 50% of actual election expenses.	

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	Qualifying political parties also receive quarterly allowances corresponding to \$1.75 CAN per vote obtained at the previous general election.
3. Fund distribution:	
a. To parties:	
✓ Routine operation	
✓ Electoral campaign	
✓ Research / Capacity	
building	
✓ Mixed	Partial reimbursement of election expenses: registered political parties that obtain 2% of the valid votes cast nationally or 5% of the valid votes cast in the electoral districts where they ran candidates receive 60% of election expenses incurred during the first general election held on or after January 1, 2004. Thereafter this amount is set to 50% of actual election expenses incurred. Annual allowance to qualifying political parties, equivalent to \$1.75 CAN per vote obtained at the previous general election (\$0.4375 CAN per vote paid quarterly) Research expenditures are included as election expenses (therefore subject to election expenses limits and partly refundable)
b. To candidates:	
✓ Presidency	N/A
✓ Parliament	Partial reimbursement of election expenses: candidates who obtain
r amanicht	15% of the valid votes cast receive 15% of their election expenses limit; those who incur more than 30% of the election expenses limit receive the lesser of 60% of their actual election expenses (minus the 15% mentioned above), or 60% of the election expenses limit.
c. To party caucus or	The Parliament of Canada Act determines sessional allowances to
individual members of	
parliament/congress	
	Regulations of Parliament provide for research budgets and for Members of Parliament to send out four flyers per year to their constituents.
d. Other organizations:	N/A
4. Election funding:	
a. Internal party elections	No public funding
b. Presidential elections	N/A
c. Parliamentary	Qualifying registered political parties: 60% of actual election

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elections	expenses for the first general election held on or after January 1, 2004; 50% thereafter.
	Candidates: 60% of election expenses.
d. Local municipal elections	Regulated under provincial and territorial election acts and not under federal legislation.
5. Time of disbursement:	
a. Before campaign	
b. During campaign	
c. After campaign	
d. Combined	Partial reimbursement of political parties and candidates' election expenses (see I.A.2. for details).
	Tax credit for political donations (see I.B.1e for details).
	Registered parties that obtain at least 2% of the votes cast nationally or 5% in constituencies where they endorsed a candidate qualify to obtain annual allowances to based on the share of votes obtained at the previous general election (equivalent to \$1.75 CAN per year per vote obtained, or \$0.4375 CAN per vote quarterly).
6. Criteria for distribution:	
a. Equitable (in equal parts)	
b. Proportional to the electoral strength	
c. Parliamentary representation	
d. Mixed methods:	
✓ Equitable and electoral strength	Partial reimbursement of political parties and candidates' election expenses (see I.A.2. for details).
	Annual allowances to qualifying registered parties based on the share of votes obtained at the previous general election (equivalent to \$1.75 CAN per year per vote obtained, or \$0.4375 CAN per vote quarterly).
✓ Electoral strength and parliamentary	
representation	
✓ Other	

	B. INDIRECT GOVERNMENT FUNDING
1. Objects of financing	
a. Transportation	No
b. Publication	Regulations of Parliament provide budgets for Members of Parliament
(printing, mailing and posting)	to send out four flyers per year to their constituents.
c. Exemptions	No
d. Grants	No
e. Tax benefits	The <i>Income Tax Act</i> regulates tax credits for political donations:
	75% of contributions not exceeding \$400 CAN;
	for contributions over \$400 CAN but not exceeding \$750 CAN, \$300 CAN plus 50% of the amount by which the contribution exceeds \$400 CAN;
	for contributions exceeding \$750 CAN, the lesser of \$475 CAN plus 331/3% of the amount by which the contribution exceeds \$750 CAN, or \$650 CAN.
f. Loans	No
g. get-out-the vote campaigns	No
h. Political broadcasting	The minimum amount of broadcasting time that a network operator is to make available must be no less than the amount of free broadcasting time made available by it at the last general election (396 minutes at the 2000 general election) and must be made available as follows: • two minutes to every registered party and every eligible party; and • the remainder to all registered parties that have been allocated any of the broadcasting time to be made available under the Act and all eligible parties that have requested broadcasting time under the Act in the proportion that their allocated or requested purchasable broadcasting time bears to the total broadcasting time allocated or requested under the Act. Note that government does not refund broadcasters, directly or indirectly, for the loss of revenues generated by free political broadcasting.
i. Training	No

C. NON-GOVERNMENTAL FUNDING: CONTRIBUTIONS RESTRICTIONS

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1. Contribution limits:

Individuals (citizens or permanent residents) are allowed to contribute:

- up to \$5,000 CAN per year to each registered party and its affiliated entities: registered electoral district associations, candidates and nomination contestants (persons seeking endorsement as a registered party's candidate in an electoral district)
- up to \$5,000 CAN per leadership contest in aggregate to the contestants in a leadership contest of a registered party
- up to \$5,000 CAN per election to a candidate who is not endorsed by a registered party

Candidates will be allowed to contribute up to \$10,000 CAN to their own campaign

Corporations that carry on business in Canada, trade unions that hold bargaining rights for employees in Canada and unincorporated associations are allowed to contribute:

- up to \$1,000 CAN per year in aggregate to the candidates, nomination contestants and registered electoral district associations of each registered party
- up to \$1,000 CAN per election to a candidate who is not endorsed by a registered party

In addition, where there is a second election in a particular electoral district in a calendar year, a corporation, union or unincorporated association that has made a contribution to the registered electoral district association, nomination contestant, or candidate of a particular registered party, may make a contribution of an additional \$1,000 CAN to the candidate, nomination contestant or registered electoral district association of that same party.

Where a corporation, union or unincorporated association has, in a calendar year, made a contribution to a nomination contestant who is not endorsed by the party for an election, the donor is allowed to make an additional contribution of up to \$1,000 CAN in the same year to the endorsed candidate after he or she is endorsed.

2. Prohibitions:

a. Individuals / Legal entities

- Persons who are not Canadian citizens or permanent residents as defined in the *Immigration and Refugee Protection Act*;
- Foreign political parties or governments, or agents of foreign governments;
- Corporations that do not carry on business in Canada;
- Trade unions that do not hold bargaining rights for employees in Canada;
- Corporations that are wholly and directly owned by the Crown,

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	and their wholly owned subsidiary;
	• Corporations that receive more than 50% of their funding from the federal government.
	A corporation or trade union must not make an indirect contribution. That is, a corporation or trade union cannot give money, property or services to an individual for the purpose of making a political contribution in that individual's name.
b. Foreign donors	See above.
c. Unions	Trade unions that hold bargaining rights for employees in Canada are prohibited from contributing to national political parties and leadership contestants.
	Their contributions to candidates, nomination contestants and registered electoral district associations of each registered party, is capped to \$1,000 per year and \$1,000 CAN per election to a candidate who is not endorsed by a registered party. (See C.1. for more details)
d. Associations / Corporations	Corporations:
Corporations	Corporations are prohibited from contributing to national political parties and leadership contestants. Their contributions to candidates, nomination contestants and registered electoral district associations of each registered party, are capped to \$1,000 CAN per year and \$1,000 CAN per election to a candidate who is not endorsed by a registered party. (See C.1. for more details)
	Unincorporated associations:
	As long as the money is provided by eligible individual contributors, unincorporated association may make a contribution of \$1,000 CAN in total in any calendar year to candidates, nomination contestants and registered electoral district associations of a particular registered party, and \$1,000 CAN in total to a candidate for a particular election who is not the candidate of a registered party.
e. Government contractors	Crown corporations and corporations that obtain more than 50% of their funding from Government are not allowed to contribute.
f. Anonymous	Anonymous contributions over \$25 CAN and contributions over \$200 CAN for which the contributor's name and address are unknown, have to be forwarded to the Chief Electoral Officer, who must forward them to the Receiver General for Canada.
g. Other	
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	D. LIMITATIONS ON EXPENDITURES
1. Political parties:	
a. Amount	For registered political parties:
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	\$0.70 CAN multiplied by the number of electors registered on preliminary or revised lists of electors (whichever is greater) in electoral districts where a party endorses a candidate, adjusted with the inflation index factor
2. Candidates:	
a. Presidency:	N/A
✓ Amount	
✓ Are election	
candidates centered?	
b. Parliament:	
✓ Amount	For candidates, the aggregate of:
	 \$2.07 CAN for each of the first 15,000 electors on preliminary or revised lists of electors (whichever is greater) in an electoral district; \$1.04 CAN for each of the next 10,000 electors; \$0.52 CAN for each of the remaining electors.
	These numbers are adjusted with the inflation index factor
	TIMATED COSTS OF POLITICAL FINANCING
1. Previous elections:	
a. Presidency	N/A
b. Parliament	2000 general election: \$250,192,459 CAN (Elections Canada budget allocated to the 2000 general election, plus parties and candidate's election expenses, minus their election expenses reimbursed)
2. Cost by actors	
a. Political parties	Figures for the 2000 general election:
	Total election expenses incurred: \$34,954,935 CAN Total election expenses reimbursed: \$7,680,358 CAN
	Note: 11 political parties were registered at the 2000 general election.
a. Candidates	Figures for the 2000 general election:
	Total election expenses incurred: \$37,810,560 CAN

	Total election expenses reimbursed: \$ 15,962,678 CAN
	Note: 1808 candidates were nominated in the 2000 general election.
b. Electoral authority	2000 general election: \$200,800,000 CAN
3. Funding sources: Amounts / Percentages	
a. Public financing	No figure available
b. Private financing	No figure available
✓ List principal donors	Note: Corporations and trade unions were allowed to contribute with no restrictions to political entities until January 1, 2004, with the coming into force of Bill C-24.
	Prior to January 1, 2004, political parties used to get their private funds from individual Canadian citizens or permanent residents, Canadian corporations that carry on business in Canada, and trade unions holding bargaining right of employees in Canada.
	In 2002 (a non-election year), top 10 contributors to political parties were: OPSEU-SEFPO (\$250,450 CAN); Bombardier Inc. (\$142,360 CAN); CEP National Headquarters (\$123,281 CAN); USWA District 6 (\$109,680 CAN); Robert Mallen (\$100,894 CAN); UFCW National Headquarters (\$97,432 CAN); USWA National Headquarters (\$83,000 CAN); Bank of Montreal (\$76,184 CAN); Manalta Investments Inc. (\$75,000 CAN); Power Corporation of Canada (\$70,000 CAN).
	Candidates get their private funds from the same sources as political parties, although their affiliated political parties and their electoral district associations are among the biggest contributors.
	Top 10 contributors to candidates' 2000 general election campaigns were: New Democratic Party / BC (\$81,078 CAN); New Democaratic Party (\$80,119 CAN); Beaches Woodbine Federal Liberal Association (\$66,000 CAN); Thornhill Federal Liberal Association (\$64,880 CAN); Corporation de dervice (PLCQ) (\$62,014 CAN); Corporation de service (PLCQ) (\$61,757 CAN); Liberal Party of Canada (NB) (\$61,514 CAN); Bramalea Gore Malton Springdale Federal Liberal (\$60,000 CAN); York Centre R.L.R.A. Trust (\$60,000 CAN); Bottom of Form Canadian Alliance Red Deer Constituency Association (\$60,000 CAN).

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c. Resources from political party budgets	Not available		
d. Other			
4. Allocation: greater costs on the campaign	Percentages below are based on the total expenditures reported by registered political parties and candidates following the 2000 general election (total = \$35,003,961 CAN)		
		Political parties	Candidates
a. Advertisement	Political broadcasting on	36.6%	8.4% (tv and
(television, radio,	television:	3.0%	radio)
press, others)	Political broadcasting on radio:	16.9%	,
, ,			49.6%
	Political advertising:		
b. Staff Salaries	Salaries and advantages:	7.3%	10.1%
c. Transportation	Leader's tour:	19.4%	
d. Vote buying?	N/A	-	-
e. Other	Administration expenses:	5.7%	21.7% (office)
	National office expenses:	3.6%	10.2% (other)
	Travel and rental of vehicles		
	(other than leader's tour):	3.3%	
	Fund-raising:	1.8%	
	Professional services:	1.4%	
	Rent, heat and light:	0.9%	
	Miscellaneous expenses:	0.1%	
	TOTAL (\$ CAN)	35,003,961	37,055,021
	II. ACCESS TO THE M	EDIA	
	A. FREE POLITICAL BROAD	CASTING	
1. Electoral time slots:			
a. Obligatory:	N/		
✓ State-run media (TV, radio and press)			
✓ Private media (TV, radio and press)	Applies to AM and FM radio stations, television stations, and every specialty television services licensed by the CRTC and carried by cable, satellite and MDS systems, but not to pay television services, nor to community channels offered by cable television systems.		
b. Voluntary:	No		
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✓ Private media (TV,	
radio and press)	
2. Type time slots:	
a. Unique (only free	
political	
broadcasting)	
b. Principal (paid	
political	
broadcasting does	
not exceed the	
electoral time slots)	
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c. Complementary	Free time:
(paid political	
broadcasting exceeds	The minimum amount of broadcasting time that a network operator is
the electoral time	to make available must be no less than the amount of free
slots)	broadcasting time made available by it at the last general election (396
	minutes at the 2000 general election) and must be made available as
	follows:
	• two minutes to every registered party and every eligible party; and
	the remainder to all registered parties that have been allocated any
	of the broadcasting time to be made available under the Act and all
	eligible parties that have requested broadcasting time under the
	Act in the proportion that their allocated or requested purchasable
	broadcasting time bears to the total broadcasting time allocated or
	requested under the Act.
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	Paid time:
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	Each broadcaster must make available for political parties to purchase
	an aggregate of 390 minutes of broadcasting time, during prime time,
	in the period beginning with the issuance of the writ and ending at
	midnight on the second day before election day.
	It is at the discretion of the broadcaster whether to sell such time to a
	party. However, it cannot sell extra time to one party and refuse to sell
	it to other parties, if asked.
3. Time slots in non-	No
electoral periods	
4. Cost of time slots	
a. Completely free	Two minutes by each broadcaster to each political party and the
	remainder (no less than free time provided at the last general election)
	apportioned according to the formula used for paid time.
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b. Reduced fee or State	Rates must not exceed the lowest rates charged for equal amounts of
	equivalent time made available to any other persons at any time within
sponsored	equivalent time made avanable to any other persons at any time within

	the same advertising period.
5. Access to time slots:	
a. Per previous election	
results:	
✓ Number of votes	
gained	
✓ Positions gained	
✓ Criteria for new	
political	
organizations	
b. Combined criteria	The share of votes is part of the apportionment formula for paid time.
	In allocating broadcasting time, the Broadcasting Arbitrator must give equal weight to: • Percentage of seats in the House of Commons held by each of
	 the registered parties at the previous general election; and Percentage of the popular vote at the previous general election of each registered party.
	The Broadcasting Arbitrator must also give half the weight given to each of the factors referred to above, to the number of candidates endorsed by each of the registered parties at the previous general election, expressed as a percentage of all candidates endorsed by all registered parties at that election.
	In no case must the Broadcasting Arbitrator allocate more than 50 percent of the total of the broadcasting time to a registered party. The Broadcasting Arbitrator apportions the broadcasting time yearly to account for political party changes.
	to account for the special property of the special pro
c. Completely free	A minimum of two minutes to each political party that requests it. More is apportioned based on the formula used for paid time.
6. Production cost	
(time slots)	
a. Paid by the State	None
b. Non-paid	Free time paid by the broadcasters; paid time paid by political parties.
7. Time granted:	
a. As a whole	
b. To parties and electoral alliances	Registered political parties only
c. To candidates	
8. Organizations granting the time	Broadcasting Arbitrator, appointed by the Chief Electoral Officer

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slots					
9. Organizations monitoring the time slots	The Broadcasting Arbitrator is mandated to resolve any disputes related to broadcasting time (between two political parties or more, or between broadcasters and political parties).				
10. Sanctions	For broadcasters and political parties: summary conviction with possible fine if found guilty.				
	B. CONTRACTING OF TIME SLOTS				
1. Advertising paid by parties, candidates, etc:					
a. In addition to paid time slots:	It is at the discretion of the broadcaster whether to sell such time to a party. However, it cannot sell extra time to one party and refuse to sell it to other parties.				
✓ Limits	Subject to the general spending limits.				
b. Resulting from lack of time slots:					
✓ Limits					
✓ Unlimited	The Act does not specify a limit on how much broadcasting time political parties can purchase, or set a limit on how much time broadcasters can sell. It provides for a minimum amount of time broadcasters make available. Over that minimum amount of time to make available, political parties may buy more paid broadcasting time if broadcasters are willing to sell it. The total amount paid for broadcasting time, however, is an election expense, and therefore is subject to each party's general spending limit.				
c. Rules and fees for paid advertising	Each broadcaster must make available an aggregate of 390 minutes of broadcasting time, during prime time, in the period beginning with the issuance of the writ and ending at midnight on the second day before election day.				
	The Act does not specify the rates but specifies that they must not exceed the lowest rates charged for equal amounts of equivalent time made available to any other persons at any time within the same advertising period.				
	Parties can ask for the purchase of broadcasting time beyond their entitlement but it is at the discretion of the broadcaster whether to agree. However, a broadcaster cannot sell extra time to one party and				

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	refuse to sell it to other parties, if asked.
d. Controller agencies	Broadcasting Arbitrator, who is appointed by the Chief Electoral Officer.
e. Radio adds/Publicity spots: Cost per minute/second.	Cost per minute
2. Indirect advertising:	Not regulated under federal legislation.
a. Indirect information (positive, negative, neutral)	
b. Journalistic programs	
c. Other	
3. Debate regulations:	Agreed upon by political parties and broadcasters – neither statutory nor regulated under federal legislation.
4. Pre-election polls:	
a. Limits	Counted as an election expense and therefore subject to general spending limits
b. Rules guaranteeing technical quality of data	The Act defines a series of methodological information that must accompany the first publication of election survey results, and bans the publication of new survey results on polling day until the close of all of the polling stations (see 6a below for details).
5. Regulation for Exit Polls	Exit polls are prohibited.
6. Specific dispositions for mass media:	
a. Television	No person must knowingly transmit election advertising to the public in an electoral district on polling day before the close of all of the polling stations in the electoral district (blackout period).
	Upon first release and upon release within 24 hours of first release, any opinion poll or survey must publish identifying information, dates, number of people contacted, number of respondents and margin of error. For published surveys, one must provide wording of questions, and more detailed methodological and statistical information upon request.
	No person shall knowingly transmit election advertising to the public in an electoral district on polling day before the close of all of the

	polling stations in the electoral district.					
	During the blackout period, the distribution of pamphlets or the					
		posting of messages on signs, posters or banners, is permitted.				
		posting of intestinger of eight, posters of eight in particular.				
b. Cable	Idem					
c. Press	Idem					
d. Satellite TV	Idem					
e. Internet	Messages that were translated on polling stations) and that were transmitted on polling of	g day until tl not changed	ne close of a	ll of the polling		
	transmitted on polling of	iay.				
	III. PUBLIC	DISCLOSU	RE			
1. Who discloses?	Political parties	E Candio		□ Donors		
	☐ Pongos or donors	⊠ Others	-			
			al district			
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			ants and			
		leaders				
		contest	-			
2. What is disclosed?						
a. Parties:						
✓ Cash Contributions	▼ Itemized		☐ Aggreg	ated		
✓ In-kind contributions	E Itemized		☐ Aggreg	ated		
(materials and						
equipment, including						
loans)	₩ T:-4-1 14-			A		
✓ Expenditures	Listed by cate itemized, e.g. media	•	categorized	Aggregated or not		
✓ Names of donors	Itemized, e.g. media Itemized listing – C		categorized ☐ No donor names listed with			
rumes of donors	itemized listing	νοι 200φ		ution amounts		
✓ Addresses of donors	▼ Full address	☐ Partial	address	☐ No address		
				required		
✓ Names of vendors	■ Itemized listing nam	nes		nes of vendors listed		
(D 1)	□ D : 1, 1 €1 1			penditures amounts		
✓ Personal assets	Required to be filed		☐ Not required to be filed			
b. Candidates:	Itaminad		□ A ~~~~	-a4a d		
✓ Cash Contributions ✓ In-kind contributions	▼ Itemized			zaicu		
(materials and equipment, including	E Itemized		□ Aggreg	gated		
loans)	1					

✓ Expenditures	■ Listed by categories or		☐ Aggregated or not		
	itemized, e.g. media, etc.		categorized		
✓ Names of donors	☑ Itemized listing names –		□ No nan	☐ No names of donors listed	
	Over 200\$		L	entribution amounts	
✓ Addresses of donors	▼ Full address	☐ Partial	l address	☐ No address	
				required	
✓ Names of vendors	■ Itemized listing nar	mes	□ No nar	☐ No names of vendors listed	
			with expenditures amounts		
✓ Personal assets	Required to be fille	ed	☐ Not red	☐ Not required to be filled	
3. Do party and	➤ Yes		□ No		
candidate					
expenditure	Each candidate must fil	le an	Explain:		
reports record	election report setting of	out			
campaign and	expenses and contributi	ions.			
operational	Political parties must pr	roduce an			
expenses	election return setting of	out their			
separately?	election expenses and				
	contributions and repor	t yearly on			
	their revenues and expe	enses.			
4. Are reporting	Temporary during	g elections	Perman	nent	
requirements in					
this country	Election returns for can	didates	Registered	political parties and	
temporary or	and political parties.			ered electoral district	
permanent, i.e. are			association	s must produce	
they only in effect	Leadership contestants		financial re	ports every year.	
during an election	submit weekly interim				
cycle, or year-	their contributions duri			ary 1, 2005: Registered	
round before and	four weeks of the leade	rship	-	receive quarterly	
after an election?	contest.		allowances will be required to		
			_	arterly report on	
	Nomination contestants	•	contributions and transfers into		
	to produce a financial r		the party that will be due 30 days		
	they have accepted con		after the end of the quarter.		
	or incurred nomination				
	expenses of at least \$1,				
5. What kind of	Private funds		rate funds	✓ Union funds to	
monies can the	(from Canadian		didates,	candidates,	
party or candidate	citizens or	nomin		nomination	
legally receive?	permanent		ates and	candidates and	
	residents only)	2 /		electoral district	
		associa	ations	associations only.	
	□ Fi	only.		□	
	☐ Foreign company		1	☐ Expatriate	
	funds	☐ Foreig		nationals' funds	
		funds		living overseas	
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6. What sources of illicit funds for parties and candidates are suspected?	☐ Illegal funds given over the limit but not declared by corporations, unions, or persons	□ Drug tr funds □ Launde	zed crime rafficking ered funds	☐ Foreign influence funds ☐ Others ☐ Others ☑ No illegal funds are suspected; every allegations of illegal or corrupt practice that is based on reasonable grounds is investigated by the Commissioner of Canada Elections.	
7. What is the name of the body receiving the financial disclosure reports?	☐ This is a governmental body created by statute☑ It is a Parliament body		-	☐ This body is constitutionally created	
a. Name:	Chief Electoral Officer of Canada (the Office of the Chief Electoral Officer of Canada is also known as Elections Canada), appointed by a resolution of the House of Commons.				
b. Phone No:	1 800 463-6868 (toll-free in Canada and the United States) 001 800 514-6868 (toll-free in Mexico) (613) 993-2975 (from anywhere in the world) For people who are deaf or hard of hearing: TTY 1 800 361-8935 (toll-free in Canada and the United States)				
8. Are there contribution thresholds? (Donations below a certain amount don't have to be reported)	Yes No If yes, what is the a the threshold: \$25 C		contributio For donation	s are required for ns under \$25 CAN. ons of \$200 CAN or ors' name and address sclosed.	

9. When are the disclosure reports due from politicians or parties?	 □ Before the election - How many weeks before the election? weeks. - How many reports are required? reports. 		After the election. - How many weeks after the election? Political parties: 6 months after election day and yearly (from January 2005, those that receive annual allowances will be required to report quarterly their contribution and annually both contributions and expenses);	
			Candida election	tes: 4 months after day.
10. How are the reports transmitted to the public?	□ Fax Photocopy (hard copies are sent by mail upon request) Internet (Elections Canada	☐ Gazette	g by hand) e or ed in local pers or	Other. Please specify. Available at Elections Canada Headquarters
11. Rate how easy or how difficult it is to access the public reports? (Difficulty of accessibility)	Web site) □ High	☐ Mediur	n	Low (very easy)
12. How much time elapses between the receipt and dissemination of the report by the election commission?	Fill in the blanks: Immediately Weeks: Months Years		audited made a reception Therea Elector publish as prac	et requires that the non- l financial reports be vailable publicly upon
13. Quality of report criteria:				

a. Are reports itemized or aggregate figures	Ite	mized			
reported?					
✓ Cash contributions	×	Itemized		☐ Aggreg	gated
✓ In-Kind Contributions (materials and equipment, including loans)	×	Itemized		□ Aggreş	gated
✓ Expenditures	×	Listed by categorie			gated or not
		itemized, e.g. media		categorized	
✓ Names of donors	×	■ Itemized listing names		☐ No names of donors listed with contribution amounts	
b. Names of donors	X	Full names of donors required? (yes)	Full maddress required	of donor	Is donor's name listed on the report by specific amounts of money contributed? (yes, for contributions over \$200 CAN)
c. Names of vendors	×	Full names of vendors required? (yes)	Full m address required	of vendor	Is vendor's name listed on the report by specific amounts of money paid? (yes)
d. Categories of	×	Are vendor produc	ts or	Are ve	endor purchases listed
expenses		services categorized		in aggregate or itemized on	
1		disclosure report? (liture reports?
		expense, transporta	_	(aggreg	-
		meals, etc.?) (yes)	,	(88-18	5)
14. Quality of enforcement criteria:					
a. What is the name of		Same as electoral of	commission	The Comm	nissioner of Canada
the body that		or body that receive	es the	Elections,	who is selected and
enforces the		disclosure reports?			by the Chief Electoral
disclosure reporting	×	Different body than	n the one		responsible for
laws?		receiving the disclo			he Canada Elections
		reports? Name of b		Act.	
		Is the enforcement	•		
	tril	ounal or special cour	•		

✓ What are the powers of the enforcement body?	□ Passive:- Receive the report with little investigation		 Active: Does it audit reports and conducts investigations? Elections Canada audits reports, while the Commissioner of Canada Elections is responsible for investigating and prosecuting Have sanctions and fines offenders? Yes. In addition, Commissioner may issue compliance agreements and 	
			seek inju	anctions l penalties also
✓ Strength and weakness of the enforcement bodies	E Strengths: The Commissioner has discretionary power to may also prevent offer seeking injunctions an entering into complian agreements.	prosecute; nces by d/or	□ Weak	nesses:
✓ What's the reputation of the enforcement body? Check all apply.	 ☑ Strict ☐ Not Strict ☑ Politically bold and doesn't play favorites (non-politically affiliated) 		with the pe	
15. Reality check / actual practices criteria:				
a. Looking over the above answers, how would you compare the disclosure laws on the books in this nation with the actual practice of disclosure?	☐ Distant relationship between the laws on the books and practice of disclosure	☐ Reasona degree of fi books and j	it between	Excellent degree of fit between laws and practices
b. Using the Disclosure F (produced by USAID)	Ranking in Column 8 of for the OAS countries) h			

IV. ENFORCEMENT					
A. CONTROLLER AGENCIES					
1. Nature of regulatory agencies:					
a. Electoral management bodies					
b. Judges with electoral jurisdiction					
c. Auditing bodies d. Combined	Chief Electoral Officer of Canada (Elections Canada), Commissioner of Canada Elections, Broadcasting Arbitrator, common law court judges				
2. Election / Composition of controller agencies:	The Chief Electoral Officer is appointed by a resolution of the House of Commons. The Chief Electoral Officer in turn selects and appoints the Commissioner of Canada Elections, who ensures that the <i>Canada Elections Act</i> is enforced, and the Broadcasting Arbitrator, who allocates paid and free broadcasting time during electoral events. The Office of the Chief Electoral Officer includes some 250 permanent employees appointed in accordance with the <i>Public Services Employment Act</i> . The Chief Electoral Officer is seconded by the Deputy Chief Electoral Officer and Chief Legal Counsel, who oversees the responsibilities of Legal Services, National and International Research and Policy Development, Corporate Planning and Executive Services, International Services, and legal support to the Commissioner of Canada Elections. Other directorates, which include Election Financing, Register, Geography and Information Technology, Operations and Communications, report directly to the Chief Electoral Officer. The Office of the Commissioner of Canada Elections has a Senior Counsel to the Commissioner assisted by legal counsels, a Chief Investigator, assisted by assistant chief investigators, Secretaries and 26 Special investigators in the regions. If needed, the Commissioner can call on agents from a network of independent investigators across Canada.				
3. Functions /	The Chief Electoral Officer is responsible for administering the				

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Responsibilities: conduct of federal general elections, by-elections and referendums and administering the application of the Canada Elections Act, the Referendum Act and the Electoral Boundaries Readjustment Act. The Chief Electoral Officer's responsibilities include: Enforcing electoral legislation; Registering political parties and third parties who engage in election advertising; Training election officers; Monitoring election spending by candidates, political parties and third parties; Ensuring all electors have access to the electoral system; Informing citizens about the electoral system; Maintaining the National Register of Electors; Producing electoral districts maps; Supporting the commissions responsible for readjusting the boundaries of federal electoral districts every ten years; Reporting to Parliament on the administration of elections and referendums. The Chief Electoral Officer has two budgetary authorities 4. Autonomies / Administrative vote: Parliament approves funds, principally for **Dependencies:** permanent staff at elections Canada Statutory authority: direct draw from Consolidated Revenue Fund for expenses of electoral events (Parliament does not have to approve this spending – helps preserve independence of the electoral process) He is accountable to Parliament: Report to Parliament on election administration - within three months after election day Must present main estimates and report expenditures to Parliament Parliament may question on any activity or expenditure Accountable to Auditor General, Treasury Board Subject to Privacy Act, Official Languages Act, Public Service Act Not subject to Access to Information Act but the Canada Elections Act provides for dissemination of information Obligation to make and disclose financial reports 5. Institutional capacity: a. Financial resources The Chief Electoral Officer operates under two funding authorities: the administrative vote (which essentially provides for the salaries of indeterminate staff) and the statutory authority (which provides for all other expenditures, including the cost of electoral events and continuing public education programs).

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a. Hyman ragayraga	Actual expenditures: 2002-2003: \$73,586,000 CAN (redistribution year) 2001-2002: \$49,556,000 CAN 2000-2001: \$202,851,000 CAN (general election year)
c. Human resources	250 permanent employees (during a general election or a national referendum, this number rises to 900 permanent and temporary employees in Ottawa and 150,000 across Canada).
d. Technical capacity	Highly technical and specialized.
6. Internal party controlling mechanisms:	
	B. SANCTION REGIMENS
1. Mechanisms:	
a. Permanent and	
systematic oversight	
b. Complaint-based	
system	
c. Random auditing	
d. Alternative mechanisms	
(compliance	
agreements, etc.)	
e. Combined	The Commissioner of Canada Elections, who is selected and appointed by the Chief Electoral Officer, is authorized to launch an investigation, in response to a complaint, on his own initiative or at the request of the Chief Electoral Officer where the latter believes on reasonable grounds that an election officer or, in some circumstances, that any person may have committed an offence under the <i>Act</i> .
	A complaint may arise if a political party, candidate or other regulated entity submits an incomplete or false financial return, or fails to file a return within the prescribed time frame. If errors are found by the Elections Canada's Election Financing Directorate, the filing party or candidate is given the opportunity to make corrections. If the problems are not resolved, the case is turned over the Commissioner of Canada Elections to decide what enforcement action is required.
	The Commissioner's enforcement tools include: prosecution of the offender before a court of justice; entering into compliance agreements to prevent a breach; and seeking out court injunctions

	during an election period to address an offence. The decision to
	choose which enforcement tool is justified in light of the nature of the breach, the need to ensure fairness of the electoral process and the
	public interest.
2. Sanction regimens:	
a. Financial penalties:	
✓ Political parties	Yes
✓ Candidates	Yes
✓ Donors	Yes
b. Legal sanctions:	
✓ Political parties	Yes
✓ Candidates	Yes
✓ Donors	Yes
c. Administrative	A candidate who does not meet the reporting requirement after an
sanctions:	election may loose his/her nomination deposit.
	A registered political party that fails to provide its annual fiscal return
1.04	may be suspended.
d. Other sanctions:	Loss of office for Members of Parliament
3. Provide examples	Most of the offences committed during the 2000 general election were
of sanctions already	about the failure to satisfy candidates' bank account requirements, or
applied:	to meet the four-month deadline for filing candidates' post-election
	reports.
	Among the 58 compliance agreements sought by the Commissioner of
	Canada Elections, most were for attempts to vote twice or requesting a
	second ballot; a smaller number were for breaches to third party
	registration/reporting requirements and consequent unauthorized or
	illegal advertising.
C. CULT	URE OF COMPLIANCE AND PUBLIC OVERSIGHT
T C	
a. Incentives for	
voluntary	
compliance: ✓ Training of	Yes
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campaign workers ✓ Technical assistance	Yes
✓ Provision of material	Yes
support	103
✓ Subsidies for	Yes (considered an election expense for candidates, thus partly
auditing services	refundable; registered electoral district associations' auditing services
additing services	are directly subsidized)
✓ Public education	Yes
b. Public oversight of	
and oversight of	

Parliament)

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resources:	
✓ Names of	
participating civil	
society organizations	
✓ Initiatives of citizens	
✓ Other	
c. Cases of	
corruption? If yes,	
provide examples:	
V.	INFORMATION ABOUT PARLIAMENTS
2001-2002 and the Se (both attached). These	the following section come from the Parliament Performance Report enate Committee Activities and Expenditures Annual Report 2001-2002 e data correspond to activities or separate entities that are outside the Canada. They have been gathered for the convenience of the
1. Total cost to Parliament (Figures from general national budget and Parliament budget)	House of Commons: \$323,134,000 CAN (2002-2003) Senate: \$3,454,431 (2002-2003)
2. Who is the parliamentary budget administrator?	Receiver General for Canada
3. Cost of each	Sessional indemnity for Members of Parliament: \$139,200 (2002-
Member of	2003)
Parliament.	Average Members' Office budget: \$234,819 CAN (2002-2003)
a. Gross cost (divide	\$1,075,535 CAN (2002-2003)
total cost by number	
of Members of	
Parliament)	
b. Net Cost (salaries of	Members of Parliament: \$41,899,200 CAN (2002-2003)
Members of	
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4. Parliamentary	House of Commons (2002-2003):					
services (costs of	Corporate services:	\$23,172,000 CAN				
support services,	Law Clerks and Parliamentary Counsels: \$2,024,000 CAN					
advisors, secretaries,	Procedural Services:	\$18,080,000 CAN				
etc.)	Information Services:	\$38,889,000 CAN				
	Precinct Services:	\$41,555,000 CAN				
	TOTAL	\$323,134,000 CAN				
	Senate (2001-2002):					
	Directorate:	\$1,868,000 CAN				
	Committees:	\$1,360,349 CAN				
	Witnesses:	\$226,092 CAN				
	TOTAL:	\$3,454,441 CAN				
5. Allocation of	(2002-2003)					
resources: caucus vs.	Out of a total budget of \$323,134,000	O CAN, \$25,698,000 CAN was				
individual.	allocated to caucus (8.0%) and \$205, (64%)	855,000 CAN to constituencies				
6. Access to other resources for	Supplementary estimates can be requivoted funds, allowing statutory budge	•				
parliamentary needs	year-end statutory expenditures.					
(special funds,						
resources from						
political party						
budgets, etc.)						

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Canada Elections Act [S.C. 2000, c.9], as modified.

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Financing of Registered Political Parties – New Rules on January 1, 2004

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only=false

Political Financing of Nomination Contestants – New Rules on January 1, 2004 www.elections.ca/content.asp?section=gen&document=ec90534&dir=bkg&lang=e&textonly=false

Political Contributions by Corporations and Trade Unions – New Rules on January 1, 2004

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VIII. ANNEX

Latin American and the Caribbean Disclosure Table

LATIN AMERICAN AND THE CARIBBEAN DISCLOSURE TALBE

Basic Disclosure Rules in Selected Latin America Countries

	ANY DISCL-	BY PARTY		BY CANDIDATE BY DONOR		THRESHOLD FOR	DISCLOSURE RANKING	
	OSURE RULES	Income and/or Expend- iture Accounts		Presidential	Parl- iament- ary		DISCLOSURE OF DONATIONS (by parties, candidates, or by donors, in US Dollars)	
COLUMN NUMBER	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Antigua and Barbuda	no	no	no	n.a.	no	no	n.a.	- 1
Argentina	YES	YES	YES	no	no	no	none	3
Bahamas	no	no	no	n.a.	no	no	n.a.	1
Barbados	YES	no	no	n.a.	YES	no	n.a.	2
Belize	no	no	no	n.a.	no	no	n.a.	1
Bolivia	YES	YES	no	no	no	YES	none	3
Brazil	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	581	4
Chile	YES	YES	no	no	no	no	n.a.	2
Colombia	YES	YES	YES	no	no	YES	none	3
Costa Rica	YES	Subm		no	no	no	none	2
Dominica	no	no	no	n.a.	no	no	n.a.	<u>-</u> 1
Dominican	110	110	110	11.4.	110	110	11.4.	•
Republic	no	Subm	no	no	no	no	n.a.	1
Ecuador	YES	YES	Subm.	no	no	no	n.a.	2
El Salvador	no	no	no	no	no	no	n.a.	1
Grenada	no	no	no	n.a.	no	no	n.a.	1
Guatemala	no	Subm		no	no	no	n.a.	1
Guyana	no	Subm		n.a.	no	no	n.a.	1
Honduras	no	Subm		no	no	no	n.a.	1
Jamaica	YES	no	no	n.a.	YES	no	n.a.	2
Mexico	YES	YES	Subm.	no	no	no	n.a.	2
Nicaragua	YES	Subm		no	no	no	n.a.	2
Panama	no	Subm.		no	no	no	n.a.	1
Paraguay	no		Subm	no	no	no	n.a.	1
Peru	YES	YES	no	no	no	no	n.a.	2
St Kitts and Nevis		no	no	n.a.	no	no	n.a.	1
St Lucia	no	no	no	n.a.	no	no	n.a.	1
St Lucia St Vincent &	110	110	110	11.a.	110	110	II.a.	1
the Grenadines Trinidad	no	no	no	n.a.	no	no	n.a.	1
and Tobago	YES	no	no	n.a.	YES	no	n.a.	2
Uruguay	no	no	no	no	no	no	n.a.	1
Venezuela	no	Subm		no	no	no	n.a.	1

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NOTES: The information has been prepared by Michael Pinto-Duschinsky, a member of the board of directors of the International Foundation for Election Systems, with the assistance of Violaine Autheman and Jeffrey Carlson. Daniel Zovatto of IDEA also contributed to the data collection phase of this matrix. The Matrix records laws and regulations in force in some countries as of 1 January 2000 and for others on 1 September 2001. Laws are not always clear and the assignment of categories is some cases a matter of judgement. While care has been taken in the preparation of the Matrix, there is always the possibility of error. Corrections and comments on interpretations of categories will be gratefully received at [info@ifes.org].

- Col. 1. Measures the present or absence of campaign or party finance law(s) on public disclosure.
- **Col. 2.** 'YES' means that income AND/OR expenditure accounts must be submitted to a public authority and made available for public scrutiny. 'Submit' means that income AND/OR expenditure accounts must be submitted to a public authority but need not be made available for public scrutiny
- Col. 3. YES' means party must disclose identities of donors. Where donations need be disclosed only if they exceed a certain threshold, this is recorded in Column 7..
- **Col. 4.** 'YES' means the income AND/OR expenditure accounts of the candidate must be disclosed as distinct from those of the candidate's party. 'N.a.' (not applicable) means that there is no election for the position of chief executive in the country concerned. **Panama**: except for independent candidates.
- **Col. 5.** 'YES' means the income AND/OR expenditure accounts of the candidate must be disclosed as distinct from those of the candidate's party. **Brazil**: senators only; **Colombia, Panama**: except for independent candidates.
- **Col.** 6. 'YES' means donors themselves must disclose their donations. Where donations need be disclosed only if they exceed a certain threshold, this is recorded in Column 7. **Bolivia, Colombia:** by corporations.
- **Col. 7**. 'None' means that there is no threshold for disclosure and that all relevant donations must be disclosed or submitted. **Bolivia**: all donations from private companies must be disclosed;
- **Col. 8**. This column is a Disclosure Index which indicates how many types of disclosure laws are on the books in a country. The three types of laws are: disclosure by political parties of income and/or expenditure accounts; disclosure by candidates for presidential or legislative office; and disclosure of the identity of specific donors. Coding is as follows: 4=countries with three types of disclosure laws; 3=countries with two types of disclosure laws; 2=countries with one type of disclosure laws; 1=countries with no disclosure laws.

MONEY IN POLITICS TRANSPARENCY

Levels of Public Disclosure*	Names of Countries**
High Public Disclosure	Armenia, Australia, Brazil, Canada, Denmark, Greece, Japan, Lithuania, New Zealand, The Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Russia, Slovakia, Thailand, Ukraine, United Kingdom, United States (18 countries / 15%)
Medium Public Disclosure	Argentina, Azerbaijan, Belgium, Bolivia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Germany, Hungary, India, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Latvia, Lesotho, Macedonia, Moldova, The Netherlands, Norway, Papua New Guinea, Romania, Singapore, South Korea, Tanzania (24 countries / 20%)
Low Public Disclosure	Bangladesh, Barbados, Belarus, Botswana, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Gambia, Ghana, Jamaica, Kenya, Malta, Mauritius, Morocco, Namibia, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Peru, Spain, Taiwan, Tonga, Trinidad and Tobago (21 countries / 18%)
Hidden Public Disclosure	Algeria, Austria, Benin, Central Africa Republic, , Ecuador , France, Gabon, Indonesia, Mali, Mexico , Niger, Paraguay , Tunisia, and Turkey (15 countries / 13%)
No Public Disclosure	Albania, Angola, Antigua and Barbuda, Bahamas, Belize, Croatia, Dominica, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Fiji Islands, Finland, Grenada, Guatemala, Honduras, Guyana, Kiribati, Lebanon, Madagascar, Malawi, Malaysia, The Maldives, Mozambique, Panama, St Kitts and Nevis, St Lucia, St Vincent & the Grenadines, Samoa, Senegal, Seychelles, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Sweden, Switzerland, Togo, Tuvalu, Uganda, Uruguay, Vanuatu, Venezuela, and Zambia (40 countries / 34%)

^{*} Levels of disclosure are based upon the existence of laws or regulations and their intents, not the level of implementation or actual enforcement of these laws.

^{**} OAS countries in bold print.

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			Freedom Hse	Estab.	Traditional
COUNTRY	Level of Disclosure	\$ Income	Rating	Democ.	Milieu
1.Brazil	High	0-6999	partly free	No	Latin America
2.Barbados	Low	7000-14999	free	Yes	English speaking
3.Chile	Low	7000-14999	free	No	Latin America
4.Costa Rica	??				
5.Jamaica	Low	0-6999	free	Yes	English speaking
6.Nicaragua	Low	0-6999	partly free	No	Latin America
7.Peru	Low	0-6999	partly free	No	Latin America
8.Colombia	Low	0-6999	partly free	Yes	Latin America
9.Ecuador	Hidden Disclosure	0-6999	partly free	No	Latin America
10.Mexico	Hidden Disclosure	7000-14999	free	No	Latin America
11.Paraguay	Hidden Disclosure	0-6999	partly free	No	Latin America
12. Antigua Barbuda	No Disclosure	7000-14999	partly free		English speaking
13.Bahamas	No Disclosure	15000-	Free	Yes	English speaking
14.Dominica	No Disclosure	0-6999	Free	No	English speaking
15.Dominican R.	No Disclosure	0-6999	Free	No	Latin America
16.El Salvador	No Disclosure	0-6999	Free	No	Latin America
17.Grenada	No Disclosure	0-6999	Free		English speaking
18.Guatemala	No Disclosure	0-6999	partly free	No	Latin America
19.Honduras	No Disclosure	0-6999	partly free	No	Latin America
20.Guyana	No Disclosure	0-6999	Free	No	English speaking
21.Panama	No Disclosure	0-6999	free	No	Latin America
22.St Kitts Nevis	No Disclosure	7000-14999	free		English speaking
23.St Lucia	No Disclosure	0-6999	free		English speaking
24.St Vincent Gren	No Disclosure	0-6999	free		English speaking
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