The National Battlefields Commission

Report on Total Annual Expenditures for Travel, Hospitality and Conferences for the fiscal year 2012-2013

As required by the Treasury Board <u>Directive for the Management of Expenditures on Travel, Hospitality and Conferences</u>, this report provides information on the total annual expenditures for each of travel, hospitality and conferences for The National Battlefields Commission for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2013. It also provides the variance explanations from the previous fiscal year in each of these areas.

This information is updated annually and does not contain information withheld under the <u>Access to Information Act</u> or the <u>Privacy Act</u>.

Expenditures on travel, hospitality and conferences incurred by federal departments and agencies are for the most part directly related to supporting departmental mandate(s) and the government's priorities.

In particular, for The National Battlefields Commission, you can find the mandate and the description of the program activities in The National Battlefields Commission's Departmental Performance Report at: http://ccbn-nbc.gc.ca/en/rapports.php.

Total annual expenditures for Travel, Hospitality and Conferences of The National Battlefields Commission are summarized below:

(in thousands of dollars)

Expenditure Category	Expenditures for the year ending March 31, 2013 (a)	Expenditures for the previous year ending March, 31, 2012 (b)	Variance (a-b)
Travel - Public Servants	10 \$	15 \$	-5 \$
Travel – Non-Public Servants	2 \$	2 \$	0 \$
Total Travel	12 \$	17 \$	-5 \$
Hospitality	3 \$	7 \$	-4 \$
Conference Fees	3 \$	4 \$	-1 \$
TOTAL	18 \$	28 \$	-10 \$

Significant variances compared to the previous fiscal year

The National Battlefields Commission reached its goal to maintain or diminish its annual expenditures for travel, hospitality and conferences. An overall decrease in expenditures of 36 % compared to the previous year.

Travel:

- A. **Public Servants**: Compared to fiscal year 2011-2012, travel expenditures by public servants have decreased by 33 % mainly due to:
 - The increased use of teleconferencing;
 - A decrease in travel expenses for the promotion of the National Battlefields Commission.
- B. **Non-Public Servants**: Compared to fiscal year 2011-2012, travel expenditures by non-public servants have remained constant.

Hospitality:

Compared to fiscal year 2011-2012, hospitality expenditures decreased by 57 % mainly due to:

 Decreased hospitality expenditures for meetings of the board of directors of The National Battlefields Commission.

Conference Fees:

Compared to fiscal year 2011-2012, conference fees expenditures remained relatively constant.