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New Management Framework Developed FOR Government of Canada

The Hon. Mme. Lucienne Robillard, the President of the Treasury Board of Canada, recently tabled her report “Results for Canadians – A Management Framework for the Government of Canada”.

We consider this a landmark report – in it the Government of Canada has articulated a “first of its kind” explicit and comprehensive management framework and integrated it into an overall management philosophy designed to respond to the needs of Canadians and the imperatives that the Government faces in the future.

Integral to the framework is the recognition that, as the President notes in her Foreword, “to enhance performance, departments and agencies need, among other things, to advance the integration of modern comptrollership into the heart of their management practices”. The report describes a management framework based on four core elements: citizen focus; public service values, managing for results; and, responsible spending. And, it outlines how departments and agencies and the Treasury Board and Secretariat can work together to achieve these commitments. The Report also acknowledges the potential need for legislative action to fully implement the framework and agenda for action.

The Government’s management framework places considerable emphasis on modern comptrollership and its key elements of financial and non-financial performance reporting; control; risk management and values and ethics. This was in large part in response to recommendations made by the Independent Review Panel on Modernizing Comptrollership in the Government of Canada, for which CCAF provided leadership and support. The central notions and elements of modern comptrollership recommended by the Panel permeate the framework and the philosophy set out by the Government.

During the Panel’s work and since the release of its report, it was recognized that many of the principles and approaches espoused by the Panel bled into virtually all important areas of management. What this management framework does is provide a vehicle that integrates these ideas into a general management philosophy, and clearly set out the connections and interdependencies between the concepts of modern comptrollership and that philosophy.

Click here http://www.tbs-sct.gc.ca/res_can/siglist_e.html to access a copy of the Treasury Board Report “Results for Canadians- A Management Framework for the Government of Canada” on their website.

We are also providing all subscribers and members with the Report of the Independent Review Panel on Modernizing Comptrollership in the Government of Canada which can be accessed by linking to our website’s subscribers/members area at: <https://www.ccaf-fcvi.com/english/all.html#panel>.

Finally, if you want information on the Government’s efforts with respect to modernizing comptrollership, link to the Treasury Board’s “Comptrollership Crossroads” website at http://www.tbs-sct.gc.ca/CMO_MFC/contents.htm.