

The Honourable CIMM Members Email: <u>CIMM@parl.gc.ca</u>

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RE: The Canadian Association of Professional Immigration Consultants (CAPIC) Congratulates the Appointment of Members to the Standing Committee on Citizenship and Immigration (CIMM), and the Election of its Chair and Vice-Chairs

Dear CIMM Chair, Vice Chairs, and Members:

On behalf of the Canadian Association of Professional Immigration Consultants (CAPIC), I would like to extend my sincere congratulations on your appointments as Members of the Committee, and on the election of the Chair and Vice-Chairs.

As a major stakeholder in immigration and citizenship policy development, CAPIC has been working with the CIMM by appearing before the Committee in its various studies of bills concerning immigration and immigration issues. For example, CAPIC appeared before the CIMM for the study of <u>immigration consultants</u> and the subsequent <u>study</u> of Clauses 291 to 300 (Part 4, Division 15) (An Act respecting the College of Immigration and Citizenship Consultants) of Bill C-97, which brought forth the College of Immigration and Citizenship Consultants as the regulator of the immigration consultant profession.

Our organization has also forged and maintained strong relationships with all tiers of government and has been formally recognized as the leader of and advocate for immigration and citizenship consultants and the immigration consulting profession. As a leading voice in the Canadian immigration industry, we represent over 4400 immigration and citizenship consultants who assist newcomers in working, studying, visiting, or moving to Canada.

We firmly believe that immigration is a cornerstone of Canadian identity and an essential driver of the country's economy. To achieve the immigration priorities in the Prime Minister's <u>Mandate Letter</u>, a balanced immigration system and well-designed business immigration programs are much needed. As a leader in the immigration industry, CAPIC has laid out the redesign of Canada's <u>business immigration programs</u> (BIPs) based on extensive research.



On April 21, CAPIC published an <u>open letter</u> to political party leaders on page three of *The Hill Times*. The letter outlined key recommendations of Canada's BIPs:

- Modern, Sector-Focused Federal BIP Streams: Introduce federal BIP streams aligned with Canada's long-term economic goals, including critical infrastructure and housing contributors, export-oriented entrepreneurs, and green economy ventures.
- Refinement of Existing Programs: Strengthen programs and pathways under the International Mobility Program, establishing clear paths to permanent residence based on successful business experience and provincial nominations.
- Risk-Based Net Worth Verification: Implement a tiered risk-based verification. model to maintain program integrity while reducing unnecessary barriers for qualified applicants and expediting processing times.
- Performance Metrics and Monitoring: Establish clear performance metrics and monitoring systems to track outcomes and ensure transparency.

Once again, congratulations on the Members' appointments and the election of the Chair and Vice-Chairs. I look forward to the opportunity to reconnect.

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