



NATIONAL ACTION COMMITTEE  
on the status of women  
LE COMITÉ NATIONAL D'ACTION  
sur le statut de la femme

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\* 11TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING \*  
\* MARCH 25 - 28, 1983 \*  
\* HOLIDAY INN, QUEEN & KENT STREETS, OTTAWA \*  
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- We enclose:
1. Letter from AGM Chairperson
  2. National Pacifier Award Nominations call
  3. Registration Form/Hotel Reservation/Display Space Request
  4. Executive Nominations Form
  5. Travel Assistance Request Form

Please note the following deadlines:

TRAVEL REQUESTS	FEBRUARY 25
REGISTRATIONS	MARCH 7
BILLET REQUESTS	MARCH 7
NOMINATIONS FOR EXECUTIVE	MARCH 7
HOTEL RESERVATIONS (to hotel)	ASAP
NATIONAL PACIFIER AWARD NOMINATIONS	ASAP

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\* REGISTRATION FEE: \$70 (includes Saturday continental breakfast, Sat. & Sun. lunches (with hot dish), Sat. Banquet & Entertainment, coffee & juice breaks, Conference Kit) \*  
\* SAT. OR SUN. ONE-DAY ONLY REGISTRATION FEE: \$20 (includes lunch & coffee breaks) \*  
\* BANQUET & ENTERTAINMENT ONLY: \$30 \*  
\* UNEMPLOYED - ONE-DAY REGISTRATION: \$10 PLEASE PRE-REGISTER BY MARCH 7th \*  
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NAC VERY MUCH REGRETS THE INCREASED REGISTRATION FEES THIS YEAR. WE ANTICIPATE THAT THE COST PER DELEGATE WILL BE MUCH HIGHER THAN CHARGED, BUT WE ARE PREPARED TO ABSORB THE DIFFERENCE IN ORDER TO KEEP YOUR REGISTRATION FEE REASONABLE.

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\* ACCOMMODATION: WE EXPECT TO BE ABLE TO ARRANGE BILLETS IF REQUESTS ARE RECEIVED IN THE NAC OFFICE BY MARCH 7th, 1983. \*  
\* CALL TO OTTAWA WOMEN! \*  
\* We have a number of delegates who would like to be billeted. If you can open your home for a few nights, we'd be forever grateful. Please call the office and let them know if you have beds or floors, smoking or non-smoking. Please call NOW! (416) 922-3246 \*  
\* Delegates & Observers are responsible for making their own hotel arrangement (reservation form attached). If you are not able to find someone to share a room with, request the Holiday Inn to match you with another NAC registrant, indicating smoking or non-smoking preference. Please note, hotel costs must be borne by delegates and observers. NAC has arranged special nightly rates at the Holiday Inn as follows: \*  
\* \$57.00 per room (single, double or triple occupancy) \*  
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IF YOU HAVE ANY SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS, PLEASE LET US KNOW BY MARCH 7, 1983. WE WILL PROVIDE SIGNERS, CHILD CARE ARRANGEMENTS, VOLUNTEERS, OR WHATEVER ELSE YOU NEED. PLEASE CALL THE NAC OFFICE AT 922-3246.....

# attention :: Constitution drafters

## NAC CONSTITUTIONAL REVIEW - UPDATE

Along with the December issue of MEMO, the NAC Executive Committee circulated its proposed amended version of the NAC Constitution, to all member organizations, and invited alternative amendments, to be submitted to the office 60 days before the Annual General Meeting.

In accordance with the constitutionally required procedure, the following proposals were received from members, and are being circulated to the membership in conjunction with this mailing of MEMO, so that they will be eligible for consideration at the Annual General Meeting.

PLEASE NOTE: Since they are in the form of amendments to the Executive's proposed amended version of the Constitution, the NAC Constitutional Review Committee strongly suggests that member groups compare these closely with the Executive's proposal as circulated in December. It will also be useful to refer to your copy of the Constitution, Rules of Association and Regulations which are now in effect, in order to be well prepared for the discussion and voting at the Annual General Meeting.

### AMENDMENTS TO THE EXECUTIVE'S PROPOSED REVISED CONSTITUTION, AS SUBMITTED BY MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS:

#### A. RULES OF ASSOCIATION

1. Whereas Manitoba and Saskatchewan currently have only one Regional Representative for both provinces, and

Whereas each province has significant differences in laws, geographic considerations, needs and priorities

BE IT RESOLVED that Saskatchewan and Manitoba each have one Regional Representative on the NAC Executive.

-- *submitted by Saskatchewan Action Committee on the Status of Women* --

2. Article IV - Membership, Section 1

Subsections (a), (b) and (d) to read as currently proposed by the Executive, but delete Subsection (c) and renumber Subsection (d) as the new (c).

-- *submitted by Canadian Textile & Chemical Union* -----

3. Article VII - Management, Section 5 (Terms of Office)

Delete all of (b) "Removal" and re-number (c) and (d) accordingly.

4. Article VIII, Section (2) - General Meetings: Annual Meetings

Amend (c) to read "... approve policy resolutions, approve amendments to the Constitution and Regulations, and ratify changes to the Regulations introduced by the Executive, as provided in the Constitution, ..."

-- *submitted by Canadian Textile & Chemical Union (3 & 4)* -----

5. Article VIII (4) (f)

Amend to read as follows: "When there is no provision for procedure in the Constitution and Regulations, Bourinot's Rules of Order shall apply." (As in the current Constitution)

-- *submitted by Confederation of Canadian Unions* -----

IMPORTANT: SEE OVER.....

AMENDMENTS TO THE EXECUTIVE'S PROPOSED REVISED CONSTITUTION, AS SUBMITTED  
BY MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS (continued from previous page)

6. Article X - Committees, Section 2 (Administrative Committees):

Delete reference to "Editorial" committee in Subsection (iii).

Further amend Article X to include a Section 4 - Editorial Committee to read as it does in the current Constitution in Rule VIII, Section 4 - Editorial Committee:

"The Editorial Committee shall consist of not less than seven (7) persons, namely:

1. The chairperson of the Editorial Committee who shall be elected at the Annual Meeting, shall sit and vote as a member of the Executive Committee;
2. There shall be three (3) members and three (3) non-members of the Executive Committee on the Editorial Committee;
3. The Editor of STATUS (of Women News), if any, whether paid or volunteer, shall be a member of the Editorial Committee, but if paid for services, shall not be the Chairperson.
4. The three members of the Executive Committee shall be elected to the Editorial Committee by the Executive Committee at its first meeting following the Annual Meeting.
5. The three non-members of the Executive Committee shall be appointed by the Executive Committee on the recommendation of the members of the Editorial Committee. "

7. Article VII - Management, Section 2: Amend to include a Subsection v)

"The Chairperson of the Editorial Committee" as in the current Constitution.

*--- submitted by Confederation of Canadian Unions (6 & 7) -----*

B. REGULATIONS

1. Article XII

Amend Subsection (b) to read:

"Any newly enacted, repealed or amended Regulations shall be submitted to the Annual Meeting for ratification or disallowance. The Annual General Meeting may also adopt amendments to the Regulations."

*-- submitted by Canadian Textile & Chemical Union (see also A.4 above) ---*

2. Regulation X - Committees, Section 2 (iii):

Amend to read as follows:

"This Committee shall:

- 1) act in all matters pertaining to the publication of STATUS OF WOMEN NEWS;
- 2) promote wide distribution of NAC publications, including by subscription.

*--- submitted by Confederation of Canadian Unions -----*

**\* IMPORTANT \***

# attention :: Constitution drafters

FURTHER AMENDMENTS TO THE NAC CONSTITUTION:  
PROPOSED FOR THE 1983 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The following amendments to the Executive's proposed revision of the NAC Constitution were duly received, and are now being circulated to member organizations in order to be considered at the Annual General Meeting. Please add them to those proposals already circulated.

A. RULES OF ASSOCIATION

1. Article III - Type of Organization

Amend to include:

"3. NAC/CNA shall conduct its affairs in a manner free from bias with regard to political or religious affiliation, national origin, race, or social position."

"4. NAC/CNA shall be non-sectarian and non-partisan."

2. Article IV - Membership

Amend Section to read as follow:

"1. COMPOSITION: ELIGIBILITY; RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS

A) NAC/CNA shall consist of cooperating groups or organizations in Canada which subscribe to the purposes and objectives of NAC/CNA. A member shall pay the annual membership fee. It shall be entitled to attendance with voting and speaking privileges at the Annual Meeting and other general meetings and to attendance as an observer at any other NAC/CNA meetings. It shall receive the publications and communications of NAC/CNA including the minutes of Executive Meetings.

B) Other organizations may apply for status as a cooperating organization. A cooperating organization is an organization which endorses the purposes and objectives of NAC in order to cooperate with NAC/CNA towards achieving common goals but does not want the right to vote. It shall be entitled to receive the publications and communications of NAC/CNA in exchange for its own, and to attend the Annual Meeting and other general meetings as an observer.

C) Government departments and agencies, and any part(s) thereof, shall not be eligible for membership."

3. Article VI - Fees, Section I

Amend (a) to read:

"Annual membership fees shall be set by the Executive Committee subject to the direction of the preceding Annual Meeting."

----- submitted by Canadian Union of Professional & Technical Employees-----

4. Article VI - Finances

Amend to read:

"Fiscal Year

The fiscal year shall commence on January 1st and end on December thirty-first of each calendar year."

-----submitted by The Professional Institute of the Public Service of Canada-----

----- more over -----

Further Amendments to the NAC Constitution: Proposed for 1983 AGM (continued)

5. Article VII - Management

Changes be made as follows (additions underlined):

VII (2)(a) The Executive Committee shall consist of:

"i) The Officers, namely the President, three (3) Vice-Presidents, Secretary, Treasurer, and the Chairperson of the Editorial Committee."

"iii) Seven (7) Regional Representatives, one each from

- British Columbia and Yukon Territory
- Alberta and Northwest Territories
- Saskatchewan and Manitoba
- Northern Ontario
- Quebec
- Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island
- Newfoundland and Labrador"

i.e. Delete Northern and South/Central British Columbia  
Delete Southern Ontario

6. Article VIII - Meetings

Amend 2(c) to read (additions underlined):

"The Annual Meeting shall elect the members of the Executive Committee; receive the audited financial report; appoint auditor(s); receive reports from the President, Treasurer, committees and the NAC Trust; approve policy resolutions, approve and initiate amendments to the Constitution, and ratify and initiate changes to the Regulations, as provided in the Constitution; and transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting."

----- submitted by The Professional Institute of the  
Public Service of Canada -----

B. REGULATIONS

1. Article IX - Elections

Amend 1(a) to read:

"1. Elections

- a) Campaigning shall be limited to speeches, one poster per candidate and letters of endorsement. There will be no buttons, songs, parades, hospitality suites, or other promotional methods by member organizations, members of the Executive Committee, delegates or observers."

----- submitted by Canadian Union of Professional and Technical  
Employees -----

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WENDY LAWRENCE, CHAIR, NAC CONSTITUTIONAL REVIEW COMMITTEE  
FEBRUARY 18, 1983

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January, 1983

TO: ALL NAC MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS  
FROM: THE 1983 NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE: Norma Scarborough, Chair  
RE: CALL FOR NOMINATIONS TO THE 1983-84 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE -  
FOR ELECTION AT THE ANNUAL MEETING, MARCH 25 - 28, 1983

Paid Up Member Organizations of NAC are eligible to make nominations for election to the NAC Executive Committee. The current 1982-83 Executive is listed on reverse.

A candidate may be nominated for more than one office but can be elected to only one. For example, an unsuccessful candidate for President or Vice-President can, if duly nominated, be elected to another office - Member-at-Large, Regional Rep., etc. (See Constitution Rule IV).

The regular monthly meetings of the Executive Committee start Friday evening and finish late Sunday afternoon, and are usually held at the NAC Office in Toronto. Candidates must be prepared to give priority to these meetings, and to working between meetings on NAC committees and projects. With regional representation from across Canada, it is important that a sufficient number of officers and members-at-large live within reasonable distance of the NAC office to carry on the day-to-day work of the organization.

NAC will include in delegates' kits candidate profiles received at our office by March 14. Information may also include her biography, policy on women's issues, ways to contribute to NAC, etc. Information should be typed, single space - not more than 250 words. A translation will also be circulated, if provided. Candidates may post these statements (with a photograph attached) at the Annual Meeting.

The entire Executive is elected at the AGM for a one-year term.

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NOMINATIONS ARE CALLED FOR THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS:

- PRESIDENT
- VICE-PRESIDENT (3 to be elected)
- SECRETARY
- TREASURER
- EDITORIAL COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON
- MEMBER-AT-LARGE (8 to be elected)
- REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVE (7 to be elected, voting by region)  
Regions: B.C./YUKON; ALBERTA/N.W.T.; SASKATCHEWAN/MANITOBA;  
NORTHERN ONTARIO; QUEBEC; MARITIMES; NEWFOUNDLAND/LABRADOR

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PLEASE COMPLETE THIS FORM AND RETURN IT BY MARCH 7, 1983. CONFIRM BY TELEPHONE IF NECESSARY. NOMINATIONS CANNOT BE ACCEPTED AFTER THAT DATE.  
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FOR THE OFFICE/S OF \_\_\_\_\_  
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WE NOMINATE: (Name) \_\_\_\_\_  
(Address) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

OBTAIN THE CONSENT OF YOUR NOMINEES Consent Obtained \_\_\_\_\_

NOMINATING ORGANIZATION \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

OFFICER'S SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

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MAKE ADDITIONAL NOMINATIONS ON A SEPARATE SHEET IN THE ABOVE FORMAT

NATIONAL ACTION COMMITTEE ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN  
1982 - 1983 EXECUTIVE

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OFFICERS

PRESIDENT	Doris Anderson
IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT	Jean Wood
VICE PRESIDENTS	Kathy Coffin
	Chaviva Hosek
	Jillian Ridington
SECRETARY	Norma Scarborough
TREASURER	Martha Elliott
EDITORIAL CHAIRPERSON	Catherine Devlin

REGIONAL REPS

NEWFOUNDLAND/LABRADOR	Jill Schooley
MARITIMES	Silvia Isenor
QUEBEC	Maria Peluso
NORTHERN ONTARIO	Lynn Beak
MANITOBA/SASKATCHEWAN	Pat Keyser
ALBERTA/N.W.T.	Janina Vanderpost
B.C./YUKON	Jane Evans

MEMBERS AT LARGE

Moria Armour  
Louise Dulude  
Pat Hacker  
Wendy Lawrence  
Kay Macpherson  
Gerry Rogers  
Michelle Swenarchuk  
Billie Thurston

PAST PRESIDENTS

Lynn McDonald  
Kay Macpherson  
Lorna Marsden  
Grace Hartman  
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1983 AGM DELEGATE SURVIVAL NOTES

We have a lot of work to do at this year's AGM. Apart from workshops on employment, pornography/prostitution, survival, federal-provincial funding/social services, child benefits/tax, etc.... we have two items which are not part of a usual annual meeting - the NAC CONSTITUTION and the proposed move to Ottawa.

By now you will have received a copy of the draft Constitution and we urge member groups to look at and discuss it so that you are prepared for the discussion at the AGM. The January/February NAC MEMO will contain some points to be considered re the move to Ottawa. Please give some thought to these two issues prior to the conference so that they can be dealt with as expediently as possible.

There will be lots of opportunity for socializing, meeting with regional reps, meeting of transition house workers, etc. Notices will be posted and announcements made as to where these meetings will take place. An agenda will be mailed to you shortly.

For the business meeting, NAC uses Bourinot's Rules of Order. Again, we ask you to familiarize yourself with the Rules. A short paper on Bourinot's will be available at the conference.

If your organization would like to bring information in the form of pamphlets, briefs, newspapers, buttons, stickers, T-shirts, etc., please fill in the display space request form. When you arrive, we will direct you to your space. Please do not leave sales money unattended. We had some problems with theft last year and the hotel does not take responsibility for stolen articles.

We encourage interested women to think about running for the NAC Executive. All positions are open. It means at least six weekends a year at Executive meetings, plus work either regionally or by issue. Please feel free to contact a NAC Executive member for the real low down!

If you have any questions, problems or suggestions, please feel free to contact me at (613) 234-5508, or call the NAC Office.

We hope we will have a good turnout and a really productive 1983 AGM. Look forward to seeing you in March!

Martha Elliot, 1983 AGM Chairperson