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Main Objectives

The objective of the Taxation Committee is to consider, review and present recommendations on matters of taxation and fiscal policies relevant to the regional accountancy profession, including: changes in international and regional tax administration policies that impact the Caribbean: Double Taxation Treaties and all other regional and international agreements on taxation. The committee also seeks to facilitate discussions and exchange of ideas on tax related matters affecting the region.

Committee Structure

The Taxation Committee is chaired by Mr. Harryram Parmesar, Past President of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of the Caribbean and the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Guyana. The members of the committee, who sit as representatives for each ICAC member body (regional accountancy institute), are:

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Territory	Member Body Representative
Guyana	Harryram Parmesar (Chair)
Bahamas	Lawrence Lewis
Barbados	Wayne Lovell
Belize	Jose Ortez
Eastern Caribbean	Trevor Brathwaite
Jamaica	Denzil A. Whyte
Trinidad	Nicole Joseph
Suriname	Hans Girjasing

Duties and Responsibilities

The duties and responsibilities of the Regional Taxation Committee include the following:

- a) To advise and make recommendations to the ICAC Board of Directors on:
 - i. Changes in international and regional tax administration policies which will impact on the Caribbean Region;
 - ii. New Double Taxation Treaties and other regional and international agreements on taxation;
- iii. Technical training of taxation courses, programs, seminars and workshops to be held regionally;
- iv. Timely dissemination of relevant tax information affecting the region;
- v. Publication of articles on Regional Tax related topics.

- b) To facilitate discussions, exchange ideas and experiences of tax related matters affecting the region;
- c) To establish a channel for ICAC Board of Directors to articulate their views and concerns on tax matters;
- d) To conduct technical training on taxation for the Caribbean Region;
- e) Any other matters as directed by ICAC Board of Directors from time to time.

Meetings and Notification

The Committee will meet on the third Thursday of the month. E-mail messages could be used for collating information before meetings. However, if there are substantive matters to be discussed, additional or alternative meetings may be called as required.

The mechanism for conducting meetings should be via the ICAC teleconference platform.

Reporting requirements

The Chairman, Regional Taxation Committee, will report to ICAC Board of Directors of its decisions, activities and recommendations.