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Report from the Editor-in-Chief of *bout de papier*

PAFSO's flagship publication, **bout de papier**, has as a mission to publish three issues each year. Full issues of the magazine are available on the [bout de papier website](#), where readers can find advanced postings of selected articles. While most of PAFSO's members have expressed a preference for the online version of the magazine, over 200 paper copies of each issue are printed and distributed to members who have expressed a preference for hardcopies, key international departments, and to the Privy Council and Prime Minister's Offices.

Each year, the magazine faces challenges in securing content from PAFSO members – particularly from currently serving Foreign Service Officers, their partners or family members. With a view to increasing awareness and securing a greater diversity of articles, **bout de papier** will be reconstituting its editorial board, which has essentially been defunct since the pandemic. We hope that this, in addition to paying for submissions, a practice we began over a year ago, will lead to a renewed interest in the publication.

We are hoping to publish the next issue by the end of 2025 and, given that we currently have a good number of articles in the bank another issue is expected early in the new year.

If you have any questions or comments please do not hesitate to reach out via email at boutdepapier@pafso-apase.com.

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