

example environmental law, fisheries, air law, humanitarian law, narcotics, economic law, trade law and communications, the Bureau provides advice to departments and agencies, and acts as the coordinator of domestic and international law interests. The Bureau participates actively in the United Nations on international law interests, having responsibility for Canada's position on subjects under consideration by the Sixth Committee, the Legal Committee, of the United Nations General Assembly. The Bureau has responsibility for Canada's role in the development of international law, including Canadian participation in force such as the International Law Commission and United Nations committees of a specialized legal nature.

At present, there are twenty-five officers in the Legal Bureau. Fifteen, including the Director General, are legally trained Foreign Service Officers, two are Legal Counsel, two are administrative officers and six are legally trained officers under training as foreign service officers. In addition, the Bureau is supported by secretarial and clerical staff, and has a library clerk in charge of the International Law Library. The Bureau also enjoys the assistance of teachers of international law, the most recent of whom, Professor Charles Bourne of the University of British Columbia, completed a one-year assignment with the Bureau on September 1 of this year. In addition, each summer, a number of law students spend several months with the Bureau.

A number of foreign service officers who are part of the Department's complement of legally trained officers are currently on assignment abroad or are serving elsewhere in the Department or