Bon voyage in Canada

On your arrival day in Ottawa, your program officer, with an interpreter, if required, will be on hand to discuss your itinerary and specific interests with you. These are of utmost importance since the final decisions on your program will essentially be your own. Your officer may suggest places to visit to help meet your professional needs. This is a good time to discuss any special wishes you have regarding accommodation.

Your basic revised itinerary will be given to you before you leave Ottawa. This includes names of local contacts in the locations you will visit and the names of hotels where you will stay. If necessary, changes may be made in your schedule after you leave Ottawa, but your program officer must be consulted since a change at one point may affect the entire schedule.

Besides, reservations and appointments have been made and you and the program officer are responsible for meeting these obligations. Your program officer will keep in touch with you throughout your visit.

You will meet with the head of the Visits Program in Ottawa, usually on your arrival day, to discuss any problems that may have arisen or any special requests you may have.

Most of your travel in Canada will be by air. It is much faster and more efficient, given the