

the Department they were not granted diplomatic status and were not, in general, eligible for service abroad. Exceptions were the appointment of two women to posts abroad, one with consular and one with local diplomatic rank. The first open competition in which women were permitted to compete was held in July, 1947, and appointments of women with full diplomatic status have since been made.

As Canada's interests multiply in the international field, the work of the Department continues to grow. To meet these increased responsibilities, the Department now has in Ottawa and abroad a total of more than 170 officers and 800 clerical personnel.

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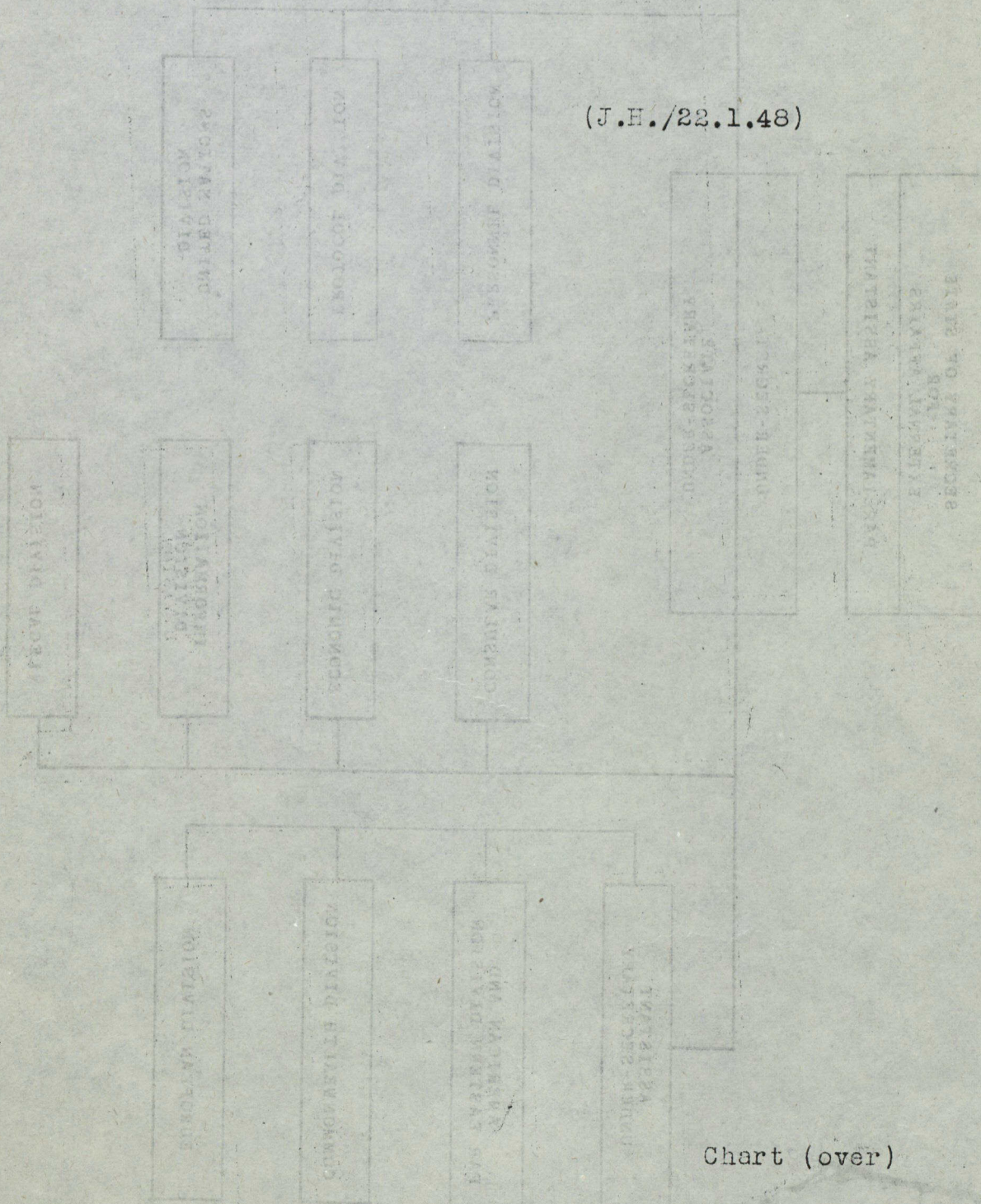


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