INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS Symposium Schedule

Friday, January 13, 1995

Session A: Information Technologies and International Political Economy

8:45 - 9:00 Welcome and Introduction

George Haynal, Head of Policy Staff, Department of Foreign Affairs

and International Trade

Gordon S. Smith, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs

9:00 - 9:20 Information Technologies and the Restructuring of Production

Professor Lynn K. Mytelka, Department of Political Science, Carleton

University

New information technologies have had a profound effect on the nature of business and production around the globe, restructuring firms both internally and across borders. This presentation will provide an overview of the changing nature of production and investment and the globalization of competition, emphasizing the way in which information technologies are affecting these processes both positively and negatively. Particular attention will be given to the way in which these changes have impacted on the nature of state governance at all levels, including competition among municipal, provincial, and national governments for investment, and the positive agglomeration effects involved in the location of research and development and production.

9:20 - 9:40 Information Technologies and the Restructuring of Financial Markets

Herbert I. Phillipps, Jr., Vice President, Trust and Securities, Royal Bank of Canada

Along with (de)regulatory changes and market innovations, information technologies have revolutionized the international financial sector. This presentation will provide an overview of the ways in which information technologies have led to an explosion of transborder capital