

Small wonder that, as Arthur Blanchette will tell you, our missions complain that when "*International Canada*" reaches them - months late - it's of no use to them.

These comments are not aimed at the CIIA or its staff in any unfriendly way. The points I've noted, however, reinforce the opinion many in the Department appear to share that perhaps the time has come when we should think of bringing into being a new official record of Canadian foreign policy, more comprehensive and accurate than anything the CIIA is in a position to undertake.

I shall return later to how this proposed development might affect "*International Canada*" and how CIIA officials view it.

In my survey I have tried to ascertain what the various individuals think is the kind of official record of Canadian foreign policy our department and the other departments need; what it should contain; how the question of bilingualism should be handled; what should be the format; how often should it be issued; who should be responsible for producing it; and to whom should it go.

It is generally agreed, I think, that if a new-type record is produced it should include major foreign policy material emanating not just from External but from all federal government departments.

Details relating to the contents would have to be decided, but the nature of the main items seems clear enough. In brief, these would include the customary statements and speeches on foreign policy of the Prime Minister, other Ministers and senior officials (the criterion for their inclusion being importance); press releases; visits by VIP's from