- extending the network of multilateral and bilateral agreements in international criminal law, providing support in the investigation of war crimes and drug offenses and providing advice on extradition and mutual legal assistance;
- advising on Canada's treaty obligations and practices; and
- advising on the domestic legal implications of departmental activities and programs.

Assistant Deputy Minister Consular, Immigration and Passport Affairs

Mr. Gavin Stewart

- General responsibility for the direction and delivery of three programs: consular assistance to Canadians abroad; immigration and visa services abroad; and passport services in Canada and abroad.
- Activities include:
 - designing and implementing policies and procedures for the provision of consular assistance to Canadians travelling or resident abroad, including contingency planning for assistance in times of crisis;
 - implementing on behalf of CEIC the delivery of Canada's immigration program abroad and acting as the departmental focal point with CEIC on policy and procedural issues;
 - designing and implementing Canada's policies on refugees and international immigration issues including coordinating Canada's role in international refugee organizations such as the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR); and
 - monitoring the operations and financial planning of the Passport Office, which is now a Special Operating Agency.

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