

The Minister said that the new regulations would be equally applicable to both nominated relatives (more distant relatives of people already in Canada) and independent immigrants (those who come to Canada without family ties). He added: "There are absolutely no racial implications in these regulations. They are universal and non-discriminatory and will be applied in exactly the same way everywhere in the world.

"The changes to the regulations, which do not affect sponsored dependants coming to join their immediate family, are part of the continuing process initiated last February by the Government to improve the chances that new immigrants will be able to find immediate employment after arrival," Mr. Andras said.

**Foreign workers**

The changes will also directly affect Canadian employers who recruit foreign workers.

"By insisting that we will give credit for pre-arranged employment only if a qualified Canadian citizen or permanent

**Attitudes of other countries**

*Britain:* Permanent admission restricted to Commonwealth citizens with parent or grandparent born in Britain, to EEC citizens and to persons with skills in exceptional demand.

*France:* On July 4, 1974 admission of foreign workers and dependants temporarily suspended.

*West Germany:* Effective November 26, 1973 issuance of work permits to foreign workers banned.

*Australia:* Very recent announcement suspending all applications, except those already approved and those involving sponsored dependants and persons with occupations in strong and unsatisfied demand.

*New Zealand:* On May 7, 1974 announcement severely restricting immigration, i.e. immigrants generally require pre-arranged housing and employment.

resident is not available, we are asking Canadian employers to give first preference to residents of Canada, before recruiting workers outside the country," said Mr. Andras.

"The changes I have announced re-

present the fairest, the most just and most equitable measures we could devise to cope with the anticipated flow of immigrants to Canada. And they are far less sweeping and far more satisfactory than those changes we would be forced to contemplate a year or two from now if we did not act today," Mr. Andras concluded.

**Immigration priority system**

New immigrant priorities were approved for all countries last May and were introduced at posts abroad in June. Their purpose was to ensure that available manpower and other resources were used, in dealing with a sharp rise in the numbers of applicants for admission to Canada. They were:

- (1) Sponsored dependants;

**Independent applicants:**

Need 50 points to be admitted. Need a background and medical check.

Points are awarded on the following factors:

	Points up to
Education and training	20
Personal assessment	15
Occupational demand	15
Occupational skill	10
Age	10
Arranged employment	10
Knowledge of French and English	10
Relatives	3-5
Area demand	5

**New:**

After all points are awarded, ten points are deducted unless applicant has arranged employment or is going to a designated vacancy.

An independent applicant must have one point of occupational demand or pre-arranged employment or be destined to a designated vacancy for admission to Canada.

- (2) Independent and nominated applicants:

- (a) destined to verified arranged employment,
- (b) destined to "designated occupations" (an occupation which has been designated by the Immigration Department, in consultation with the provinces, as being in particular short supply in a particular geographic area);
- (c) with occupations which have a high occupational demand rating (8-15 points).
- (3) Applicants whose arrival in Canada would create jobs;
- (4) All other applicants on a first come first served basis.

**Nominated relatives:**

Need 50 points to be admitted. Need a background and medical check.

They are: sons and daughters over 21; married sons and daughters; brothers or sisters; parents or grandparents under 60; and nephews, nieces, uncles, aunts and grandchildren.

Points are awarded on the following factors:

	Points up to
Education and training	20
Personal assessment	15
Occupational demand	15
Occupational skill	10
Age	10
Relatives	15-30

**New:**

After all points are awarded, ten points are deducted unless applicant has arranged employment or is going to a designated vacancy.

The nominated relative must have one point of occupational demand or pre-arranged employment or be destined to a designated vacancy for admission to Canada.

**Super train brainchild of three universities for Canada Transport**

A train that will float six inches above ground, as a result of electromagnetic levitation, and travel at 300 mph is being designed and developed jointly by the Universities of Queen's, McGill and Toronto as a future method of mass transportation. Teams at each university are looking after different aspects of the project.

Officials of the federal Department of Transport believe that fast trains of this sort will be needed by the 1980s to move large numbers of people quickly and efficiently over distances of several hundreds of miles.

"The control system and motor design are already completed and some tests are ready to take place at