

One of the justice statistics centre's employee works at computer terminal.

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Canada, much less what kind and how many cases they hear. Our work will clarify such things. It will enable legislators and attorneys-general to measure the impact and usefulness — and the cost — of particular legislation. Valid statistical analyses can also be of use in determining the number and kind of judges and peace officers we need."

The centre's technical assistance directorate will attempt to deliver to provincial and territorial governments the kind of expertise they will need in order to provide data that is current and relevant. The ideal situation is to have compatible and comparable data retrieval systems country-wide, said Mr. Duncan.

"We must learn to use the facilities we have, not slavishly, but as tools," he emphasized. "From our beginning we can help create useful studies of inmate populations, of youth, of legal difficulties and of successes," said Mr. Duncan.

(Excerpts from an article by Bill Caves in Liaison, January 1982.)

New contracts with Kenya, Zimbabwe and Swaziland

Trade Minister Ed Lumley visited Kenya, Zimbabwe and Swaziland recently for talks with respective government officials regarding economic and commercial relations.

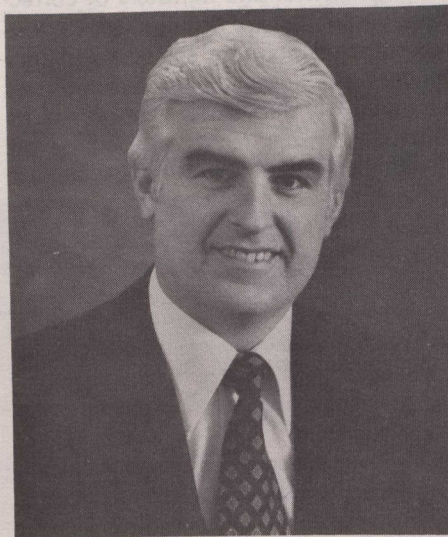
During his visit, the minister announced a number of contracts for the supply of Canadian goods and services to the three African countries.

In Kenya, two new contracts for Canadian firms in the energy and transportation sectors were announced.

The first is a more than \$200-million contract to Lavalin International of Montreal for the construction of an oil storage facility. Negotiations for this contract began last August. The Canadian content of the facility will be financed by the Export Development Corporation (EDC).

The second contract with Kenya is a \$2-million locomotive spare parts order to Bombardier Canada Limited, also of Montreal. The locomotives were originally purchased with a loan from Canada in 1970. This spare parts loan will be financed by the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA).

Canada is supporting several projects in Kenya, the largest of which are in the area of electrical power where 80 per cent of CIDA's current budget for Kenya is committed. A combination of loans and



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grants from Canada totalling more than \$82 million is helping Kenya reinforce and expand its electrical interconnectors and its power grid in rural areas.

Trains to Zimbabwe

Two agreements were also signed with the Zimbabwe government. They will result in over \$45 million of Canadian goods being sold to that country.

The first agreement, worth \$32.7 million involves the supply of 26 diesel electric locomotives, spare parts and tools

to the National Railways of Zimbabwe by General Motors Market Development of Canada Limited. The locomotives will be manufactured at the diesel division of General Motors of Canada Limited in London, Ontario.

The sale will be supported by loans from EDC, CIDA and the Kuwait Fund for Arab Economic Development.

National Railways of Zimbabwe is a state-owned railway system and has purchased 61 locomotives for its system, 26 of them from Canada.

Equipment for rural development

The second agreement with Zimbabwe was for a \$15-million development line of credit for the purchase of Canadian equipment such as road graders, telecommunications switching gear, specialized soil conservation equipment, water pump engines, transformers and front-end loaders which Zimbabwe needs for the development of rural areas. CIDA will provide funding for the equipment.

This financing facility fulfils part of Canada's pledge to provide at least \$10 million annually to Zimbabwe for the next five years. Canada's future aid will concentrate on reconstruction and rural development, agriculture, transportation, mineral development, technical assistance and training.

Satellite equipment for Swaziland

In Swaziland, an agreement was reached for Canada to supply an *Earth B* satellite station to that country. The equipment will be provided by Spar Aerospace of Ste. Anne de Bellevue, Quebec.

The satellite project is important to Swaziland because it is dependent on a nearby South African satellite station for access to the international telecommunications network and, as a result, Swaziland loses approximately 90 per cent of the foreign exchange earnings from these calls.

The Canadian government will further support the project through the provision of specialized training under the CIDA technical co-operation program. The training, for which CIDA is providing \$800,000, will take place over five years in Swaziland and in Canada.

In announcing this agreement with Swaziland, Mr. Lumley indicated that in the context of the North-South dialogue, the transfer of technology was an important element. Swaziland citizens will be able to operate the satellite station independently after training provided with the assistance of CIDA.

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