

to provide a continuing analysis of geographical volume, seasonal fluctuations and changes in pattern of cases handled by posts abroad, to name but a few and additional benefits that could be derived from the above proposal.

The Stenographic Pool, currently under the administration of the Director, Consular Operations, continues to be a source of concern to the two Directors. Due to the continuous volume of work generated by Consular Operations and previous administrative problems associated with this function, Mr. Agnes arranged to have the Stenographic group report to him. While he recognizes this could be construed as an extreme measure, and realizes the "Pool" should not report to a Director, he is fearful of a recurrence of the previous situation. The Consular Policy and Research Division has provision for two man years in the "Pool" and the Director has been assured that work from his Division will be handled promptly and efficiently. Despite the fact that things appear to be operating smoothly this situation should be reviewed by the Director General and the two Directors to arrive at some form of common understanding.

E. Delegation

For the most part delegation, or the lack thereof, does not appear to be a problem within the Bureau. Until recently however, this was a definite problem in the 'Assistance to Canadians Abroad Section' where Desk Officers were given very little authority and all cases flowed from and back through the Section Head.