

very relieved when the phrase slipped through safely." The addition of the word also served to reassert the right and the intention of both Trade and Commerce and External Affairs to carry on international information programs and it carried the suggestion that C.I.S. could be regarded as a servicing agent for program departments. In order, apparently, to reassure the two foreign departments, the Chairman of the C.I.S. Supervisory Committee, Mr. Heeney, "emphasized that the Order in Council establishing the Service had employed the phrase 'Assisting the public information services of the government'. It was not intended that the Service should supplant any existing government information source nor that the Supervisory Committee should attempt to dictate to other departments or agencies."

Relationship of C.I.S. with External Affairs:

Some departmental attitudes to the forthcoming inauguration of the C.I.S. were revealed in a MacDermot memorandum to the Under-Secretary of September 14, 1945,⁽¹⁰⁾ and Hume Wrong's marginal comments. Mr. MacDermot recognizes the value of the new Service to the Department for the following purposes:

1. Organization and management of information arrangements at international conferences in Canada and abroad.