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## IMMIGRATION IN 1970

Mr. Otto Lang, Minister of Manpower and Immigration, announced recently that 147,713 immigrants had entered Canada in 1970, a decrease of 13,818, or 8.6 per cent from the 1969 number. "The modest reduction in immigration in 1970 reflects our economic conditions and indicates the response of the immigration selection criteria to reduced employment opportunities. Strong economic conditions in most of western Europe were also a factor in reducing immigration from that area," Mr. Lang said.

The 1970 arrivals added 77,723 persons to the labour force, compared to 84,349 the previous year. The remainder were largely dependents of immigrants or close relatives sponsored by persons already in Canada.

Among those intending to work in Canada, 22,412 were in the professional and technical category and 3,095 in management. Other occupation groups included 12,143 clerical, 3,030 in commerce and finance, 7,852 in service industries and 22,006 in manufacturing and construction. The number of labourers was 1,614.

### COUNTRIES OF ORIGIN

Europe and Asia contributed a lower percentage of the total movement, while there was an increase in the percentage of immigrants from the western hemisphere and Australasia. Africa contributed the same percentage as in 1969.

The ten major source countries (with 1969 figures in brackets) were: Britain, 26,497 (31,977); United States, 24,424 (22,785); Italy, 8,533 (10,383); Portugal, 7,902 (7,182); Greece, 6,327 (6,937); Yugoslavia, 5,672 (4,053); India, 5,670 (5,395); China (including Hong Kong and Taiwan), 5,377 (8,272); Trinidad and Tobago, 4,790 (5,631); and Jamaica, 4,659 (3,889).

Europe remained the major source area, producing 75,609 or 51.2 per cent of all immigrants. There were 14.4 per cent or 12,754 fewer immigrants from Europe in 1970 than in 1969. Several European countries including Britain and France showed significant declines.

Africa produced 2,863 immigrants or 2 per cent of the total movement, compared to 3,297, the same percentage in 1969. This reduction of 434 persons represented 13.2 per cent fewer than in 1969. The flow of immigrants from Egypt dropped to 913 compared to 1,429 in 1969, but Egypt remained as the top source country in this area. The Republic of South Africa followed with 646 persons.

Asia produced 21,170 immigrants, or 14.3 per cent, compared to 23,319 persons in 1969. India provided 5,670 persons, an increase of 275 over those in 1969; China contributed 5,377 or 2,895 fewer immigrants - a decrease of 35 per cent. The Philippines provided 3,240 people, an increase of 239 over those of last year. Pakistan contributed 1,010, five more than those in 1969.

Australasia provided 4,388 persons, or 3 per cent, of total immigration, compared to 4,414, or 2.7 per cent, in 1969.

Immigration from North and Central America totalled 37,795, or 25.6 per cent, of total immigra-

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