

United Nations activities, and to encourage foreign newspapers to carry adequate information about Canadian participation. The Canadian delegation's information officers, working closely with the U.N. press corps, provide texts of Canadian speeches, background material on Canada's position on any issue, arrange press and radio interviews with Canadian delegates, and plan photo and newsreel coverage.

Circular Documents

Basic information is distributed to missions and consulates abroad by means of circular documents on economic and political developments, and on trends of thought in the Department. During 1949, 500 such documents were despatched.

Publications

The publications of the Department seek to provide a full record of Canadian policy in the field of external affairs and general information about Canada for use abroad. These publications include the *Annual Report of the Department of External Affairs*; *Canada and the United Nations*, an annual report of Canada's participation in the work of the United Nations; the *Canada Treaty Series*; two quarterly publications, *Diplomatic and Consular Representatives in Ottawa* and *Canadian Representatives Abroad and Representatives of Other Countries in Canada*; and the monthly bulletin, *External Affairs*.

External Affairs is a brief monthly record of international agreements and conferences, official statements in Parliament, press releases, official publications and transfers of diplomatic personnel. It also includes reference material on international relations and more general essays on associated topics. It has been available to the public at home and abroad on a subscription basis since January 1949, and more than 9,500 copies are now distributed each month, including 1,500 copies of the French edition.

The *Canadian Weekly Bulletin* summarizes Canadian news developments for the use of missions, organizations, and interested individuals abroad. A brief weekly selection of items of Canadian news, *Informaciones Canadienses*, is published in Spanish for distribution to editors of Latin American newspapers.

Demand has continued throughout the year for *Canada from Sea to Sea*, an illustrated popular booklet on the history, geography, and natural, industrial, and cultural resources of Canada. During 1949 approximately 150,000 copies in English, French, Spanish, and Portuguese were distributed abroad. Social, economic, and political developments of the past three years—notably the entry of Newfoundland into confederation—have made necessary a revised