

documents as expert studies, program outlines, drafts of proposed conventions, and letters of recommendation to member states.

#### ROLE OF THE NATIONAL COMMISSION

The National Commission receives UNESCO documents direct from UNESCO Paris.

##### Distribution to the Provinces

1. Documents relating to the sessions of the General Conference, Executive Board and their committees are not forwarded to the provinces as a matter of routine. Occasionally, when such a document bears directly on a matter of provincial domestic jurisdiction, it may be forwarded to the provinces for the purpose of obtaining their comments.

2. Documents relating to UNESCO program activities: these are distributed to the provinces through a series of informal contacts within the provincial governments which the National Commission has built up over the years, and with whom the Commission deals on UNESCO matters. Although this system of distribution and liaison may often bypass more orthodox provincial government channels in an attempt to hasten the process of informing and consulting with interested parties, the system is most effective for it involves those provincial officials who are actively concerned with, and knowledgeable about, the matter in question, and it allows for immediate provincial feedback which may be necessary. Nevertheless, very recently the National Commission has established with the Intergovernmental officials of the governments of