Emergency relief for Turkey

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, Don Jamieson, announced on December 3, that Canada had made a donation of \$100,000 in cash to the Canadian Red Cross for relief efforts in earthquake-stricken Turkey in response to an appeal by the Turkish Red Crescent Society.

Mr. Jamieson expressed the hope that Canadians would also be generous in their own private contributions to the Red Cross or to other voluntary organizations of their choice.

Additional funds for international agriculture development

Canada will increase its \$30-million contribution to the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) by \$3 million to help the IFAD reach its target of \$1 billion, it was announced last month.

The Fund, being created in response to a resolution of the Rome World Food Conference in 1974, represents a cooperative venture between the developed nations and the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries. The IFAD's aim is to increase resources directly available for investment in developing countries in agriculture and food production. Contributions totalling \$985 million have so far been announced and the target is expected to be met this month.

Supplementary estimates tabled

Robert Andras, President of the Treasury Board, tabled in the House of Commons on November 10 supplementary estimates of \$594 million for fiscal year 1976-77.

"I emphasize that the supplementary estimates are significantly lower than the corresponding ones tabled in recent years," said Mr. Andras. "This reflects the Government's determination to restrain the growth of federal expenditures, a goal which is an integral part of our anti-inflation program."

Total federal expenditures for fiscal year 1976-77 are expected to be in the vicinity of \$42.2 billion, an increase of about 14 per cent over those of the previous year, said Mr. Andras.

Supplementary Estimates (B) are the second series tabled since the beginning of the fiscal year, the first one, series (A), consisting only of a \$5 million non-budgetary advance to Loto Canada Inc.

Use of the money

The main items included in Supplementary Estimates (B) are:

\$109.1 million to the Department of Finance to cover increases in payments to provinces.

\$90.4 million to the Department of Manpower and Immigration for job creation, outlays on local initiatives and immigration programs.

\$63.3 million to the Canadian Transport Commission to cover increased payments to the railways, primarily for uneconomic branch lines and passenger services.

\$36.1 million to the Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development for the settlement of land claims and overruns on education and welfare.

\$33.6 million to the Department of the Secretary of State, primarily for bilingualism development payments. \$32.8 million to the Department of National Health and Welfare for the swine-flu immunization program, as well as increases in nursing home care and services to young offenders.

\$25 million to the Department of Finance for a loan to the Government of Jamaica.

\$24.5 million to the Cape Breton Development Corporation for operating losses and new capital outlays.

\$24 million to the province of Alberta in respect of the maintenance of the domestic oil price.

\$21 million to the Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce for general incentives to industry.

\$18.6 million to Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation for new housing initiatives.

\$14.2 million to the Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce, primarily for payment to the Wheat Board to finance the purchase of grain hopper cars.

\$13.3 million to Atomic Energy of Canada Ltd for operating losses of the Port Hawksbury Heavy Water Plant.

\$13 million to the Department of Agriculture primarily for brucellosis compensation payments.

\$10.4 million in additional resources for the Anti-Inflation Board.



With typical curiosity Arthur takes a closer look at his rescuer

Joan Redfern of North Gower, Ontario, picked up this lucky little saw-whet owl when she found it with a broken wing after a run-in with a car. After a

veterinarian patched up the bird, Mrs. Redfern took it home to recuperate. Although he is doing well, it is almost certain he won't ever fly again.