types that pose particular problems are the debates, proceeedings and votes of international organizations and newspaper material. Both could be considered "bottomless pits". In the case of the former it would probably be necessary to restrict coverage to very specific topics being considered by particular organizations and agencies. This could provide a realistic level of input while, at the same time, meeting at least some of the Department's information needs in these areas. For newspaper material it would probably be possible to use the Department's existing clipping service to select material of particular interest (especially major articles with some analysis) with the final decision on inclusion being left with those responsible for selecting other material for inclusion in the file. Even this approach could generate a fairly large volume of material unless very specific limitations were made on the types of material to be included. The cost of including large amounts of newspaper material could make the system potentially very expensive and the probable payoffs to the Department would be limited. <2>

(4) Language: the parameters of this study limit coverage to English and French language publications, but some consideration must also be given to the inclusion of material originally published in other languages. If the posts are to be involved in providing input to the system, material in many languages will soon find its way into the data base. When it is appropriate to include a non English/French item, the title could be given in the