## Foreword

Owing to the growing complexity and diversity of Canadian interests and programs abroad, the ability of Canadian personnel and their spouses to function adequately in the host country language is becoming increasingly important.

To meet the challenge, an enhanced foreign-language program has been established in the Department through the Posting Briefing Centre.

The purpose of this guide is to provide employees with essential information on the various aspects of the foreign-language program. Enquiries regarding this guide should be addressed to the Posting Briefing Centre.

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