(iii) The Information and Cultural Section

This Section has grown rapidly in the last few years reflecting the growing importance of information work as a support to foreign and trade policy. The Section consists of four External Affairs officers plus local supporting staff.

(iv) The Administrative and Consular Section

This Section comprises the essential infrastructure for the Washington establishment. Consular services are provided for the Washington area.

(v) Other Entities under the Direction of the Embassy

These range in size from the large National Defence establishment to much smaller elements.

(a) National Defence

Department of National Defence Personnel are located separately from the Embassy and are under the command of a general officer of two-star rank. This officer is the principal military adviser to the Ambassador and reports to the Ambassador on the activities of National Defence personnel. Liaison is also carried on by the Defence Counsellor in the Political Section of the Embassy. The National Defence establishment is divided into two sections, the Canadian Defence Liaison Staff and the Canadian Defence Research Staff.

The Canadian Defence Liaison Staff

The CDLS is responsible for maintaining liaison with United States Armed Services on questions of interest to Canadian Forces Headquarters. The Commander is accredited to the Joint Chiefs Organization and to the Civilian/Military Agencies comprising the Office of the Secretary of Defence. In practice, the bulk of CDLS activities relates to monitoring developments related to various lines of military equipment and to operational aspects of the United States Armed Forces. They report directly to Canadian Forces Headquarters. Where matters of defence and foreign policy are involved the Embassy and CDLS work jointly. In general, CDLS involvement in subjects having political content is fairly limited.

The Canadian Defence Research Staff

The Canadian Defence Research Staff (CDRS) reports to the Chairman of the Defence Research Board in Ottawa. They deal with the office of the Secretary of Defence and the research and development branches of the Departments of the Army, Navy and Air Force. To a lesser extent they also