

administrative levels. In this connection the Quebec representatives, at Belgium's request, provided information on the implementation of the reports of the Castonguay/Nepveu Commission.

The two sides identified a number of differences in structure and approach in public-oriented social research, as a means of determining areas in which systematic exchanges of information would prove useful. Information will be exchanged on the subjects mentioned above and on the measures which each country applies in its present social assistance and development programs; on the basis of this input a decision will be made as to whether joint cooperation projects should be undertaken.

In this context:

- a) Canada will be kept informed of progress in the Belgian national program and will receive interim reports from the scientific and technical coordination groups, which will make it possible to determine specific points of mutual interest.
- b) Belgium will receive information on the Canadian experiment in setting up the SSRL/BRSS social data bank and the BENTAX and STACKER simulation models for decision-making in the social security area. Canada is open to an early visit by a Belgian Delegation engaged in similar work in the Belgian national program.

The two sides agreed to postpone consideration of whether a conference on social indicators should be held.

## 6. AGRICULTURE

The Belgian Delegation did not include any representatives