

legal proceedings, the defence facilities available to the accused, the possibility of release on bail.

2. The basis of the person's claim to Canadian citizenship. Is he also a citizen of the foreign country?
3. When and why did he come to the foreign country?
4. Is he financially able to defend himself?

Action to  
be taken

10.17 a. The case should ordinarily be referred to the Department by air mail, but telegraph may be used in urgent cases.

b. Except in cases of the utmost urgency and clearest merit, the Consul should not intervene (except to interview) the complainant or to obtain facts from the authorities) without express authorization from the Department.

Action where no  
request for  
Assistance

10.18 If the arrest of an alleged Canadian should come to the attention of the Consul, otherwise than in the form of a request for help from the person himself, it will be necessary to decide according to the circumstances of each particular case to what extent, if any, further enquiry should be made. If the Consul is satisfied that from the information he has received the Canadian citizen does not need his assistance, he need take no further

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