

and Middle Eastern Divisions; the Bureau of Asian and Pacific Affairs, the East Asia, Pacific and South Asia Divisions; the Bureau of European Affairs, the Eastern European, Northwestern European and Western European Divisions; and the Bureau of Western Hemisphere Affairs, the Caribbean, Latin American and United States of America Divisions.

Corresponding to the area bureaux are a number of bureaux organized on a *functional* basis: Economic and Scientific Affairs; Defence and Arms Control Affairs; Legal Affairs; Consular Affairs; United Nations Affairs; Public Affairs; and Co-ordination.

A continuing dialogue between the functional and area bureaux is essential to the attainment of the Department's objectives. Each regional bureau, as the co-ordinating centre responsible for the shaping and management of country plans and programs, ensures that functional interests are appropriately reflected in post operations. Similarly, functional bureaux respect, in the management of their operations, the interests of the regional bureaux. The two perspectives are complementary, and together generate a sensitive and thorough approach to the complexities of the Department's operations.

Functional Bureaux

The *Bureau of Economic and Scientific Affairs* co-ordinates and develops policy and initiatives touching on broader questions of major significance for Canada in international economic, scientific and environmental affairs. It comprises four divisions: Aid and Development; Commercial Policy; Transport, Communications and Energy; and Scientific Relations and Environmental Problems.

The *Aid and Development Division* provides a focus for co-ordination of departmental views on aid-policy questions and a channel for consultation with the Canadian International Development Agency and with other government departments and agencies that have an interest in particular aspects of development-assistance activities, both bilateral and multilateral. The division also has responsibility for special measures designed to promote the trading interests of developing countries, and provides liaison with the Export Development Corporation and the International Development Research Centre. It supplies representation at relevant interdepartmental consultations on aid questions and helps to staff Canadian delegations to international aid conferences, such as the Colombo Plan Consultative Committee, the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, the United Nations Development Program, the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development and the regional development banks to which Canada belongs.

With the exception of the specific areas noted below, the *Commercial Policy Division* has responsibility for general international economic,