Mr. Marcel Cadieux Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs Department of External Affairs Ottawa, Canada.

Dear Mr. Cadieux:

As requested by you, we have undertaken a survey of certain aspects of the Department of External Affairs' system of financial administration. In the report that follows, we set out our findings in this connection, along with our recommendations for the establishment of an effective system of responsibility accounting for the Department.

The survey was carried out by a team consisting of two members of our firm and four government employees, two from your Department and two from other departments. The government staff engaged in the survey were as follows:

Mr. G. H	F.	Farrow	Senior Administrative Officer Trade Commissioner Service	
				Department of Trade and Commerce

Mr. R. Gregson	Senior Auditor
	Inspection Service
	Department of External Affairs

Mr.	D.	G.	MacDonald	Accounting Advisory Officer Accounting Advisory Services
				Comptroller of the Treasury Department of Finance

Mr. B. R. Warren	Deputy Head (Planning)
	Finance Division
	Department of External Affairs

We would like to acknowledge the very valuable contribution made by these individuals to the study. Many of the proposals set out in this report originated with them. We would also like to express our