

- (2) Ministerial statements in the House. These are obviously the most important outlets for factual and policy information. The Department's function in this respect is traditional and needs no comment.
- (3) Statements and responses in External Affairs Committee by Minister and senior officials.
- (4) Answers to questions in the House. Much useful information reaches Parliament and the public by this procedure on detailed aspects of international developments and Canadian policy thereon. The statements or replies to questions in the House naturally stimulate the interest of the press and tend to generate further opportunities for public information.
- (5) White papers. Reports for tabling in the House and the information of the public. Such reports deal with one large situation or sequence of developments. They have been prepared and issued infrequently but are valuable, particularly to the more interested and informed reader, because they present not only a chronology of events but a context and balance of reportorial presentation.