

The *World Exhibitions Program* is concerned with liaison with and representation at the International Bureau of Exhibitions in Paris. It co-ordinates the handling of invitations to take part in world exhibitions, determines interdepartmental interest and makes recommendations. It also provides for the organization and direction of Canadian participation in world exhibitions.

The *Historical Division* is responsible for the archive activities of the Department, for historical work in the realm of foreign affairs, and for the preparation of background material on international issues for use in the Department. The division deals with requests from scholars studying Canada's external relations for access to departmental records and assists them in their research when possible. It also conducts the Department's program of oral history.

One of the major tasks of this division is the compilation and editing of state papers in the continuing series entitled *Documents on Canadian External Relations*, six volumes of which have already been published. The seventh and eighth volumes will appear shortly, and editorial work on future volumes, which will bring the series down to 1947, is well advanced.

The Division also serves as a link with the Pan-American Institute of Geography and History, an official Agency of the Organization of American States.

The *Bureau of Co-ordination* co-ordinates and develops policies concerning provincial participation in Canada's international relations and Canada's role in the institutions and activities of the Commonwealth and of La Francophonie. It comprises three divisions: Federal-Provincial Co-ordination, Commonwealth Institutions and Francophone Institutions.

The *Federal-Provincial Co-ordination Division* is primarily concerned with developing policies and procedures whereby the international interests of the provinces will be satisfied in a manner compatible with federal responsibility for the conduct of Canada's international relations. Thus the division seeks to co-ordinate the activities of the other divisions, of Canadian posts abroad and of other federal departments and agencies, in order to ensure that Canada's international activities fully reflect its federal character. It attempts to keep in regular and close contact with provincial officials in order to remain aware of the aims and policies of the provinces concerning international questions of interest to them. And it continues to develop more effective procedures for continuing consultation on the many aspects of