

The systems provide deputies and program managers with regular assessments of Canadian interests, program objectives, results and workload; and identifying resource use and cost for program activities to enable deputies to make resource reallocation decisions.

The system for tracking the Trade and Investment program performance has been implemented. Other systems are in place for the Immigration, Consular, and some Administration activities. Proposals are at the development stage for the Political and Economic Relations programs as well as for Culture and Communications, Aid and other Administration activities.

This project will be completed by September 1988.

Financial Signing Authorities

Project MF 07

The purpose of this project is to review the existing Departmental financial signing authorities with respect to the sufficiency of delegation and to implement any changes required to bring Departmental authorities in line with managerial requirements.

A review has started and a new delegation document will be promulgated by September 30, 1988.

Financial Management Information Systems Design

Project MF 14

A new Financial Management Information System (FINEX), is being developed. The objectives for FINEX are to create a system that will streamline the capture of financial transactions and provide comprehensive management reports.

The system is scheduled for full implementation at Headquarters as of April 1st, 1988. The general and detailed design of FINEX have been completed; the software has been acquired and modified; the training package is already developed and training sessions are taking place. A pilot test will start in November at Headquarters within three branches. In the missions abroad, the manual version of the system will be converted as COSICS is implemented.