

- FOREWORD -

I am pleased to make available to you an update of the External Affairs Management Improvement Program (EAMIP) Plan.

The First EAMIP Plan, published in March 1984, represented a major step toward improved management practices within the Department of External Affairs. This revised Plan provides greater focus and clarity of intent, based upon the progress, experience and insight gained over the last year and a half.

You will observe that individual management improvement projects have been linked to the Department's Operational Plan Framework as set forth in the 1985-86 Estimates. This has been done with a view to strengthening awareness of the Program as a valuable tool in the achievement of our strategic and operational objectives.

As with any program of this size and complexity, the EAMIP is in a constant state of evolution. It is my intention to have the Program reflect and respond to changing Departmental priorities, to keep you informed of progress achieved through regular quarterly reports, and to undertake any major replanning exercises that might be required.

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