

In a subsequent development, the RKG clarified its attitude regarding the future of the Cambodia Commission by specifically requesting it to adjourn *sine die* as of December 31, 1969. A decision to that effect was taken by the Commission on December 31.

### Burma

The Foreign Minister of Burma, Colonel Maung Lwin, paid an official visit to Ottawa October 14 and 15 as the guest of the Canadian Government and had discussions on both international and bilateral matters with the Secretary of State for External Affairs and other Ministers. He made a ten-day private trip across Canada before heading his country's delegation to the Colombo Plan ministerial meeting in Victoria, British Columbia, from October 27 to 31.

### Latin American Division

This Division is concerned with Canada's relations with Latin America. Canada has had diplomatic relations with all 20 Latin American countries since 1957. As a result of the current Government expenditure guidelines the embassies maintained in the area were reduced from 14 to 11 with the closing of posts in Quito (Ecuador), Santo Domingo (the Dominican Republic) and Montevideo (Uruguay). These closings were accompanied by modest staff reductions in most other Latin American posts. Of the remaining embassies, nine are headed by ambassadors and two by *chargés d'affaires*. Canada also maintains a consulate at Sao Paulo, Brazil.

The major divisional undertaking during this year has been the co-ordination of the task force which is reviewing Canadian policy toward Latin America. The task force, consisting of officials drawn from the departments and agencies of the Government which have an interest in Latin America, began its review with the ministerial mission to Latin America in October-November 1968. In January, the *Preliminary Report of the Ministerial Mission to Latin America* was tabled in the House of Commons. The report generated a substantial number of letters and briefs to Ministers in which ideas and suggestions were put forward by individuals and representatives of private organizations with an interest in Latin America. The task force has also taken the initiative in arranging consultations with qualified persons and groups both inside and outside Canada. In March, a seminar between officials and representatives of the academic, journalistic and business worlds was held in Toronto, Ontario, under the auspices of the Canadian Institute of International Affairs. The policy review is at present entering its final stages, and will be completed early in 1970.

While Canada's future relations with Latin America were under review, the year saw a considerable continuing activity under existing programs. Canada is a member of one subsidiary body of the Organization of American States (OAS) -- the Pan-American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH) -- and of a number of inter-American organizations not officially linked to the OAS. Since becoming a full member of PAIGH in 1961, Canada had played a very active role, and this year participated in the meeting of the General Assembly held in Washington, D.C., from May 28 to June 18. In accordance with recent practice, Canadian observers attended the nineteenth