It's a well known fact in the publishing business that initial production represents the major cost; after that, running off additional copies is relatively inexpensive.

The most interesting proposal, however, came from a group of political science professors at Carleton University. The met last week at the invitation of Doug Anglin, whom most of you know, and with whom I had spoken of this matter. They emphasized the importance as they see it, in any record we might undertake of retaining non-official opinion of the type that now appears in "International Canada". They maintained that this was the more important as Canada - so they claimed - has no newspaper which is indexed. There was therefore, they said, no reference source to matters researchers might wish to check.

(As I later learned, they were wrong in this contention.

Laval University does an index of Le Devoir which has recently been enlarged to include some articles from Le Soleil and La Presse. A subscription to the index costs \$500 a year.)

But no matter. What the Carleton political scientists proposed was this: If External is to produce a loose-leaf record, the CIIA or some other body should be asked to prepare an analysis of non-official opinion in the same format, so that it would fit into the same binder. And it would have a common index, though the pages might be of a different colour.

To sum up, a big majority of those with whom I have discussed the pros and cons of inaugurating a new-type foreign affairs record have strongly approved the proposal. Included is one of our senior Depart-