

- (c) High Commissioners' Offices in: Australia, India, Ireland, Newfoundland, New Zealand, Union of South Africa and United Kingdom;
- (d) Consulates-General in: New York and Chicago (U.S.A.), Portugal, Venezuela;
- (e) Vice-Consulate in: Portland, Me. (U.S.A.);
- (f) Military Mission in: Germany;
- (g) Canadian Liaison Mission in: Japan;
- (h) Canadian Permanent Delegation to: The United Nations.

Functions of the Department

The main functions of the Department of External Affairs include:

(a) the supervision of relations between Canada and other countries and of Canadian participation in international organizations; the protection of Canadian interests abroad;

(b) the collation and weighing of information regarding developments likely to affect Canada's international relations;

(c) correspondence with other governments and their representatives in Canada;

(d) the negotiation and conclusion of treaties and other international agreements;

(e) the representation of Canada in foreign capitals and at international councils.

Departmental Organization at Ottawa

Headquarters of the Department at Ottawa is the East Block of the Parliament Buildings.

The staff is headed by an Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs with an Associate and two Assistant Under-Secretaries. They are assisted by officers of various ranks formally designated in the diplomatic list as Counsellor, First, Second and Third Secretary, from senior to junior. For administrative purposes within the Department they are less formally known as Foreign Service Officers.

With the rapid expansion of Canadian representation abroad the work of the Department at Ottawa has increased correspondingly. It is at present carried on in eleven divisions organized largely on a functional basis.

There are three geographical divisions: the British Commonwealth, the European and the American and Far Eastern Divisions. They work under the direct supervision of an Assistant Under Secretary and deal with all matters which are not the primary concern of one of the other divisions of the Department. In addition they are consulted on the political aspects of matters which are primarily legal, economic, consular, or so on, and have a