

colleagues, that Canada should play a greater part in inter-allied arrangements for the conduct of the war and for post-war planning.

Building upon the work of his predecessors, Robertson not only made sure that there would be no obstinate "cork" in the decision-making process, he also laid the basis for the team-work

which produced the "golden age" of Canadian diplomacy in the decade after the war. Developments during that period will be dealt with in the second volume of the history, *Coming of Age, 1946-1968*, co-authored with Donald Barry of the University of Calgary, which is in preparation.

## GOLD AT THE END OF THE RAINBOW?

### RETIREMENT PLANNING SEMINARS

Its never too early to start planning for your retirement! Many people start too late. Often, ABMS is told by participants in the Retirement Planning Seminars that they wish they had attended the seminars at an earlier stage in their career to enable them to fully benefit from the advice on longer-term planning. If you are a mid-career employee, you and your spouse should consider enrolling now. All courses are

on a "first-come-first-served" basis and spaces fill quickly.

Each seminar is three days and features a variety of speakers covering topics such as financial planning, wills and estate planning, health and psychological aspects of retirement, the Public Service Superannuation Plan, Canada Pension Plan and Old Age Security benefits. Courses are offered in English and French and one course is usually offered every month. Please write to ABMS to enroll or to request more information.

## OUCH ! THAT PINCHES!

Treasury Board President, Robert de Cotret, announced government-wide expenditure reductions. Some of the initiatives directly affect EAITC including:

1. Expenditure reduction of \$10 million in 1990-91, with an additional \$5 million each year up to and including 1993-94;
2. Designation of the passport office as a new Special Operating Agency;
3. Cost recovery to be increased for certain immigration services together with CEIC;
4. Decentralization arrangements with CIDA will be reviewed; and
5. 20% reduction of government-wide international travel.