

the provinces and a system of joint action and cooperation which is exemplary.

FAO documents on agricultural subjects also receive an exhaustive dissemination to provincial governments, particularly given these governments' limited interest in activities relating to agriculture on the international level. On environmental subjects, such as those dealt with by the Committee on Forestry of the FAO, the distribution system is excellent and is coupled with a process of consultation with the provinces on projects of joint interest.

The lack of provincial interest in international activities relating to subjects of their concern domestically is more closely mirrored in the distribution of WHO documents provided by Health and Welfare Canada. This less than exhaustive distribution, however, is bolstered by provincial participation in Canadian delegations to the WHO Annual Assembly, and provincial input on WHO International Accords; also Health and Welfare Canada is at present reviewing its document distribution system with a view to improving it.

The same is true of Environment Canada which is currently overhauling its system of liaison with the provinces, in consultation with this Department. At present its system of distributing documents from UNEP is less than ideal, and is recognized as such by that Department. Accordingly it is planned to establish a new system which will follow three steps: first, provide documents to the provinces; second, request comments on these documents; and third,