

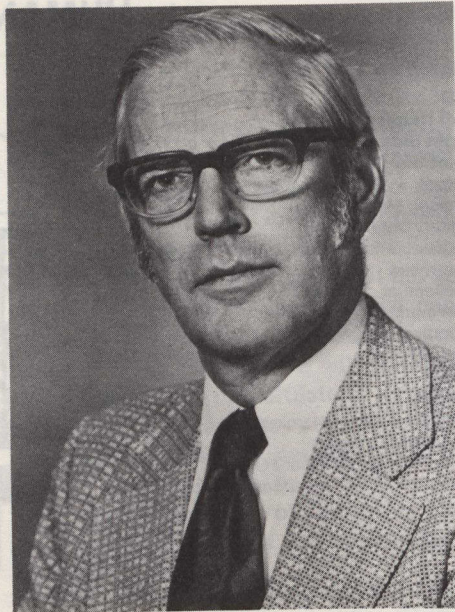
## International research fellowships awarded



*Cranford R. Pratt*

Two distinguished Canadian academics, Professor Cranford R. Pratt, a political scientist at the University of Toronto, and Dr. H. Edward English, an economist at Carleton University in Ottawa, have been awarded research fellowships from the International Development Research Centre (IDRC) to undertake studies in different aspects of trade policy and international development.

Professor Pratt has spent considerable time serving in academic and government functions in Africa, particularly Tanzania, where he was a special assistant to President Julius Nyerere. He has been chairman of the University of Toronto International Studies Program, and principal of University College, Dar es Salaam, Tanzania. Professor Pratt will take an 18-month sabbatical to research the political economy of Canadian aid, trade, and



*H. Edward English*

investment policies towards the Third World.

Dr. English has made significant contributions to economic policy in Canada, and to the understanding of Canada's economic and financial relations with other countries. He has been director of the Center of Canadian Studies, School of Advanced International Studies at Johns Hopkins University in Washington, director of the School of International Affairs at Carleton University, and economic consultant to the East African Development Bank. During the tenure of his fellowship, Dr. English will undertake a study on the means of achieving effective trade policies among the developing countries, and between them and the more industrially advanced nations, focusing on the members of the Association of South-east Asian Nations.

## Canada's mobile forces prepared to help Norway

On a recent visit to Canada by Norwegian Defence Minister Rolf Hansen, his Canadian counterpart Barney Danson unveiled plans to make Canadian troops available to the front-line defence of northern Norway in a crisis.

During Mr. Hansen's tour of Canadian Forces Base Petawawa (Ontario), Mr. Danson explained the details of the commitment he had acknowledged during his trip to Norway about a year ago:

"...In the defence of Allied Command Europe, and in particular the defence of northern Norway, the Government continues to place great importance on our ability to reinforce the north flank with proven soldiers as quickly as possible in the event of an emergency," he said.

"I have therefore decided, in an attempt to reduce the lift requirement and deployment time, to base the Canadian Air/Sea Transportable Combat Group —

## Canada most important to U.S.

Good foreign relations are considered most important with Canada than with any other nation, say Americans surveyed by Potomac Associates, a private American research group. Eighty-eight per cent of the respondents felt it was essential to get along well with Canada, ranking the U.S.S.R. and Japan next in importance.

The survey's authors cite "sophistication" and "good sense" in their respondents' ability to rank "a good friend... sometimes pictured as taken for granted by Americans" so closely with their "dedicated opponent".

or CAST Combat Group as it is known — as much as possible on one formation. This formation will become a balanced, lightened formation of all arms, including helicopter support.

"...Effective September 1980, the responsibility for this role will be assigned to the Special Service Force here in Petawawa. The Canadian Airborne Regiment, 1 RCR London and a battalion from the PPCLI will be the infantry component and the 8th Hussars, the armoured reconnaissance component. The result will be that a formation uniquely suitable for this role is given the responsibility and opportunity to prepare for this demanding combat role while maintaining its capability to respond to UN peacekeeping and other contingency roles.

"By this action on our part, coupled with shipping arrangements being made by Norway and bilateral arrangements for support, we are confident that we will have brought together the reinforcement force best able to strengthen deterrence on NATO's northern flank by being able to react rapidly to any situation which may arise.

"...The Special Service Force is a relatively new and extremely capable formation which has brought together seasoned units. While the formation is new, the soldiers are highly trained and experienced. This new task will give the men of the SSF a demanding challenge to use their expert capability in a most important NATO theatre.

"We also hope that the improvement in this Canadian capability will again show our Norwegian and other NATO allies our determination to support the allied cause in the defence of western Europe," the minister concluded.