

image capture, and new procedures to re-issue existing passports without re-sending proof of citizenship. All passport offices will be linked by a communications network enabling faster data transmission and improved security.

From its beginnings as a letter of safe conduct, the simple passport has become the single, most important international identity document which any traveller can carry. Beginning in 1995, Canadian passports will be issued with an expiry date in the next century. They will truly be a passport to the future.

