

normal government policy. That is to say, immigration offices may be situated in the capital or perhaps, as in many cases, in another city of that country.

Nevertheless these officers come under the general supervision of the ambassador and he is responsible for their general guidance.

In many posts there are not special immigration officers and in those cases the normal diplomatic officers who are at that post perform the immigration functions.

Mr. COLDWELL: They go to no end of trouble to help people who are in, let us say, Poland or Yugoslavia to get a place where they can receive clearance from the immigration officers and so on.

Mr. JUTRAS: Would the immigration officers in Paris come under the Department of External Affairs or the Department of Citizenship and Immigration?

The WITNESS: They report directly to their department which is Citizenship and Immigration; but they are subject to the general supervision which every diplomatic head of a mission exercises over all Canadian officers within the country to which he is accredited.

Mr. JUTRAS: Would these men be under the Department of Citizenship and Immigration?

The WITNESS: Yes. They are officers of the Department of Citizenship and Immigration.

Mr. JUTRAS: Are there not some who are under the Immigration Branch?

The WITNESS: That would be the same department.

Mr. CROLL: That is the same thing in Paris and every place there. That is right.

The WITNESS: They are officers of the Department of Citizenship and Immigration. Nevertheless, as I was saying, the head of the diplomatic mission as such has general supervisory authority over them. It is his responsibility.

Mr. MURRAY: I see that you have a representative in Red China.

The WITNESS: We did when this report was prepared. But he left Nanking some time ago. However, we still have a Consul General in Shanghai.

Mr. MURRAY: Does he proceed in camera?

The WITNESS: I am not sure that that is quite the right word; but I can say that he is able to perform his functions.

Mr. MURRAY: Are we not supposed to be at war with them?

The WITNESS: No.

Mr. MURRAY: To stop aggression?

Mr. STICK: Not officially.

Mr. MURRAY: Who is in Shanghai?

The WITNESS: Dr. George Patterson.

Mr. MURRAY: Do you receive regular reports from him?

The WITNESS: There is some difficulty with communications, but we do receive reports from him. They may not be regular, but they are frequent.

Mr. MURRAY: Are they for publication?

The WITNESS: No sir, not really.

The CHAIRMAN: Shall the item carry?

Mr. BENEDICKSON: Last year the Under Secretary said that he personally had not been able to visit very many of the headquarters of Canada abroad because of pressure of events in the department at home. I wonder if he has been able to visit some of our missions and embassies since he last appeared before this committee?