

SUBMISSION TO THE HOUSE OF COMMONS
STANDING COMMITTEE ON LABOUR, MANPOWER AND IMMIGRATION

ON

"UNEMPLOYMENT IN THE 70'S"
A FEDERAL GOVERNMENT WHITE PAPER

PREPARED BY THE STAFF OF THE CANADIAN WELFARE COUNCIL

INTRODUCTION

1. Because your Committee allowed such a short time to prepare this submission, it has not been possible for us to undertake a fresh, intensive examination of the topic and to consult with the Council's broad membership. However, since our Council has for a number of decades been actively interested in social insurance, including unemployment insurance, we were able to draw on a substantial body of long-standing recommendations which had been approved by our Board of Governors and our membership. While not all of the views presented here have been explicitly stated by the Council, we believe they are implicit in the policy positions to which the Council has subscribed in recent years, including its ⁽¹⁾ Social Policies for Canada, Part I, 1969.
2. We are in general agreement with most of the major proposals of the White Paper, many of them similar to recommendations the Council

(1) The major relevant extracts are attached as an Appendix to this statement.