

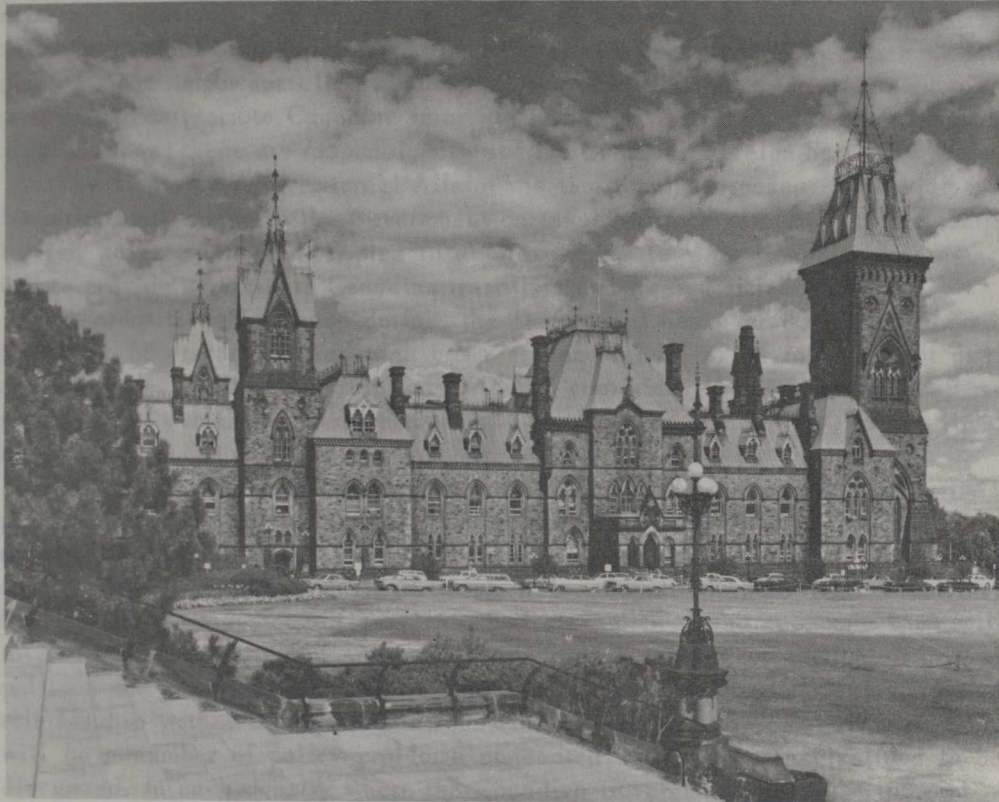
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THE DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

The day has long since passed when Canada and Canadians could look on developments in the world outside our borders, with a feeling of indifference. The League of Nations could say: "The lives in a fire of a nation!" Today, when decisions at the United Nations Security Council may affect us as much as debates in our own Parliament, when we await at a meeting of European Common Market countries...

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internal and foreign policy developments, political and economic reporting is important.

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At the peak of the season, more Canadians are travelling abroad than ever before. For most of them, the nearest Canadian embassy or consulate is the only place to which they can turn for help. They may be in a hospital, have lost their passport, be involved in an automobile accident or a lawsuit, or be in trouble with the local authorities. In most of these cases, and many more, it is the responsibility of the Embassy's Consular Section to give such assistance as may be appropriate.

An embassy is also responsible for Canada's information and cultural exchange programs in the country in which it is accredited. This includes distribution of films and other information material, press relations, participation in trade fairs and other commercial or official exhibitions, arrangements for tours of leading Canadian artists, administrators of scholarship programmes and, in general, the projection of Canada in the profile of other countries.

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