It would appear Federal-Provincial agreement, that will permit Canada to adhere to the Vienna Convention, is nearing fruition. This will require revising all current Consular Understandings into the format of Consular Agreements; an undertaking that will be virtually impossible for the Policy and Procedures Section to handle without additional staff. When this internal agreement is reached, it is not unreasonable to expect this project will become a top priority item. In view of staffing difficulties experienced in the past and the nature of the work involved, the Director through the Director General should insure the Bureau is sufficiently well informed to remain on top of the situation. Manpower requirements of the Regulations and Research Section should also be reviewed, particularly if the demands to update the Manual of Consular Instructions continue. To date there has not been any research carried out by this Section.

A Revised Organization Structure

We reported earlier that the current structuring of the Bureau was not contributing to any apparent inefficiencies or administrative difficulties.

However, we would suggest that consideration be given to moving the Training function from under the jurisdiction of the Director of Consular Policy and Research to the Director General. The current and proposed organization follows:

