

decisions and the Government will be in a better position to assess and decide upon changes in policies and programs on the basis of an overall view of Government expenditures.

The role of the Treasury Board in the Canadian system of government has not been static and cannot be so in the future. Government influence on the conduct of economic and social life has grown tremendously in the last half-century and, with the complex problems and needs of modern society, there does not appear to be any indication that the Government's role can be significantly reduced. It is, therefore, vital to ensure that the resources which the Government disposes of are allocated and administered in the most efficient and effective way possible.

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