

	1970-71	1969-70
House of Commons		
Liberals	54	53
P.C.	36	37
Others	23	51
Senate	16	12
Committees	11	19
Associations	16	11
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TOTAL	156	183

Subjects of the projects were:

Agriculture	3	Legal	19
Briefings	3	National Defence	4
Economics	37	Parliamentary Procedure	26
Education	5	Political Science	20
External Affairs	4	Public Administration	6
Health	1	Science and Technology	11
History	1	Social Science	16

B. Parliamentary Committees

The statistical breakdown shows 11 papers prepared for Committees compared with 19 the previous year. However, certain projects begun for individual members became projects for Committees.

Two papers were prepared for the Commons Standing Committee on Procedure and Organization, one relating to the premature disclosure of confidential documents, the other summarizing the options open to Parliament in relation to the broadcasting of debates.

A 117-page paper on copyright law was prepared at the request of the Chairman of the Commons Standing Committee on Broadcasting, Films and Assistance to the Arts, as was a 70-page study on financial support for the performing arts.

Three officers collaborated on a project requested by the Commons Chairman of the Special Joint Committee on the Constitution relating to upper chambers and constitutional courts under federal systems of government.

Papers were also prepared at the request of the Chairman of the House of Commons Standing Committee on Finance, Trade and Economic Affairs relating to foreign investment in various countries and development corporation enterprises.

For the Special Senate Committee on Poverty papers were prepared on the distribution and incidence of taxation. Another was prepared on the problems of female heads of families.

Papers for the Special Senate Committee on Science Policy were: a 38-page review of agencies concerned with governmental science policy machinery in various countries, a 70-page review of science policy organization for nuclear research in various countries, and a synthesis of the hearings of world-renowned scientists held before the Committee between March 1968, and March 1969.

A 47-page paper relating to Indian education was prepared for the Commons Standing Committee on Indian Affairs and Northern Development.

As it is increasingly necessary and very time-consuming to provide research officers to work more intensively with Committees, the 10 additional researchers should certainly improve this service.

C. Work for Parliamentary Delegations and International Conferences

The Research Branch continued to provide background papers for delegations and individual members attending parliamentary conferences and seminars. Three studies were prepared for the Canadian delegation to the September 1970 Commonwealth Parliamentary Association Conference in Canberra; on conservation and environmental control, on pressure groups as sources of democratic participation, and on the problems of urbanization.

Research officers continued to contribute articles to parliamentary journals. Miss M. A. Carroll wrote on "Emoluments and Perquisites of Members of Parliament in Canada" for the *Inter-Parliamentary Bulletin*, and Dr. H. Immarigeon on "Conflict of Interests and Parliamentarians" for *The Parliamentarian*.

In July, 1970, the Chief of the Research Branch accompanied Mr. Speaker Lamoureux to London to attend a meeting of the Standing Committee of the Conference of Commonwealth Speakers and Presiding Officers. Mr. Speaker Lamoureux was Chairman of the Committee; Mr. Laundy acted as its Secretary and prepared the minutes and recommendations of the meeting for circulation to the Committee members. This formed the basis for the planning of the Second Conference of Commonwealth Speakers and Presiding Officers which took place in New Delhi from December 28, 1970, to January 1, 1971.

From London Mr. Laundy went to Switzerland on behalf of the Library to visit the Inter-Parliamentary Union's International Centre for Parliamentary Documentation at Geneva July 13 to 14, 1970, and the Library and Documentation Service of the Swiss Parliament in Berne July 15 to 16. He then wrote an article on the Centre which was published in *The Canadian Library Journal* and the *Bulletin of L'Association Canadienne des Bibliothécaires de Langue française*.

From August 17-22, Mr. Laundy represented the Canadian Parliament at the Second Conference of Speakers, Presiding Officers and Clerks of Commonwealth Caribbean Parliaments in Dominica at the special invitation of the Government of Dominica. He addressed the Conference on a number of themes of current parliamentary interest and participated in the discussion of other items.

From August 30 to September 4, 1970, the Canadian Area Conference of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association was held in Ottawa and the Chief of the