

projected, of Canadian Information Service will be subject to the approval of the Department of External Affairs' representative as a member of the Supervisory Committee." It further stipulated that C.I.S. offices abroad would be maintained or established with the concurrence of External. However, the paper went on fearlessly to claim:

Canadian Information Service representatives abroad will function as information officers responsible to the General Manager of the Canadian Information Service. . . . however, information officers will be under the general superintendence of the Head of the diplomatic mission. While they will receive and act on instructions from the General Manager of the Canadian Information Service, they will also receive instructions from time to time from the Head of the diplomatic mission.

No formula was provided as to how conflicting instructions were to be reconciled but perhaps the answer was intended to be found in the final paragraph of the W.I.B. paper: "The real basis of the relationship between C.I.S. and the Department of External Affairs rests upon a mutual predisposition to consult on information matters, both in Ottawa and in the field." The record would tend to show that this prescription of virtue was embraced and pursued in good faith but in practice it was not quite enough to provide solutions for every problem.

A further revealing footnote to the story of relationship between the Department and W.I.B.-C.I.S. is found in a memorandum of October 1, 1945,⁽¹²⁾ by