

- (c) well briefed Senior Management and Cabinet on the issues at stake, perceived courses of action and likely reactions;
- (d) well briefed and adequately supported Canadian representatives or delegations at all significant meetings, conferences, etc., sponsored or affiliated with the U.N. family.

Two desirable effects, which continue to retain the attention of the Bureau, are (a) a public well informed - through the media - of major issues arising at the United Nations and Canada's role or position with respect to each, and (b) greater involvement by voluntary organizations interested in one or another of the United Nations' activities, in the formulation of Canadian policy with regards to these activities.

2.8 Data Bases

Potential sources of existing data for an evaluation of the U.N. Affairs component include:

- a list of grants and contributions to the United Nations system;
- the voting record at the Assembly, the Security Council and the Economic and Social Council;
- a list of resolutions (and amendments thereto) introduced or sponsored by Canada;
- a list of conferences and meetings attended and an indication of committed work by the Canadian representation;
- miscellaneous briefs, position papers, commentaries, speeches, press releases and reports on conferences attended and results achieved;
- references to Canada and the effectiveness of its role at the United Nations, published in journals, periodicals, and newspapers (both Canadian and foreign).

2.9 Existing Evaluation Mechanisms

There has not been a previous comprehensive and independent evaluation of the United Nations Affairs program. On the other hand, certain activities and certain of the organizational units involved are subjected to both periodic and ad hoc reviews for