
WIN Exports/TAMS: WIN Exports is a custom application that maintains and manipulates a dynamic database of information on Canadian exporters and that is distributed and installed on LANs at 91 missions and satellite offices having trade responsibilities. The data provides Trade Commission staff with reliable information to assist them in identifying Canadian capabilities to pursue international market opportunities. The WIN Exports system is also deployed in EAITC Headquarters, the International Trade Centres across Canada and in some provincial trade ministries. TAMS is a related system tracking trade activities and events. TAMS has also served as a pilot project to test application development in SQL using the client/server model.

CATS: The Central Automated Text Storage System will ensure that the Department meets the goals and the guidelines defined in the Management of Government Holdings (MGIH) policy, that electronic information is accountable and protected against loss, accessible to those who require it, and scheduled according to its value for destruction or archival retention. It will do this in two ways: by designing and constructing means to collect, store, organize, retrieve and dispose of electronic material generated in COSICS; and by revising and reorganizing procedures and services to adapt operations to the electronic environment.

Materiel Management: The MRM Procurement Support System will support departmental procurement activities and inventory management.

CAIPS and Other Immigration-Related Initiatives: This component contains the Computer Assisted Immigration Processing System as well as a number of smaller immigration-related projects, including an Immigration Management Information System and an Automated Consular System.

Export and Import Permits: This component covers the upgrade of the VAX minicomputer used to process export and import permit applications to support new requirements (Custom 2000, harmonized coding and dial-up to isolated locations across Canada) and to increase access to custom broker installations from the current 45-terminal limit.

Data Integration: This component covers pilot projects, application development tools and support to organizational units sponsoring new applications to permit them to adhere to the departmental data architecture and application development standards. See Section 7.6 for background.

Facilities Management: This component covers the facilities management services necessary to support the Headquarters LANs.

Ergonomics: This component covers the procurement of furniture and other equipment necessary to meet general ergonomic standards and specialized individual needs.