Mr. Hilborn recalls that, working with M. Cadieux assisting Mr. Beaudry in the Diplomatic Division, a heavy burden of work arose from "exit permit" regulations introduced by Order-in-Council about June 4, 1940, largely as a result of the developments in Europe following the German invasion of the Low Countries and France. The administration of this restriction of "exit permits", especially to women and children, was the biggest item of business of the Diplomatic Division at that period, from June, 1940, until the control was transferred to the Immigration Branch of the Department of Mines and Resources by Order-in-Council P.C.1841 of March 10, 1942. During that period, the Passport Office was involved to a very considerable extent in daily consultation with the Diplomatic Division (as it later was in touch with the Consular Division after 1947). (1)

<sup>(1)</sup> Cf. Departmental file 642-40 on this subject.