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Le Conseil canadien des Affaires européennes a décerné son premier prix européen à M. Antonis Parras pour son mémoire de maîtrise intitulé: "Decision-making Affinities: Structural Changes in Agriculture in Canada and the European Community", qui fut soumis au mois de mars 1981 à l'école d'Administration publique de l'Université de Carleton. Le mémoire de M. Parras tire des comparaisons originales et instructives entre les expériences canadiennes et européennes.

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WILDLIFE AREA GIVEN PROTECTION

Polar Bear Pass on Bathurst Island in the Northwest Territories has been named a national wildlife area by the federal government and will receive long-term management and protection.

The decision to make the site a wildlife area came as a result of recommendations by the International Biological Programme(IBP). Polar Bear Pass has been an ecological site under the programme, which is a cooperative effort by 58 nations, including Canada, for the preservation of natural areas for scientific study.

As a national wildlife area, Polar Bear Pass will come under the jurisdiction of the Canada Wildlife Act and Environment Canada and will be managed jointly with Indian and Northern Affairs Canada and the government of the Northwest Territories.

WHAT CANADIANS ARE THINKING ABOUT THE ECONOMY AND BUSINESS

When asked about their biggest worries, 80 percent of Canadians mention unemployment or inflation. Concern about unemployment has more than doubled since last November (from 12 percent then to 26 percent now). Possibly to accomodate the rising worry about jobs, fewer Canadians today mention inflation, high prices or our economic situation (54 percent rather than 61 percent). When asked to identify the biggest threat to Canada, 46 percent of Canadians chose "big government", 29 percent "big labour" and only 13 percent "big business". "Big government" seems most threatening to those residing in Ontario (54 percent) and the prairie provinces (55 percent). Only Quebec placed "big labour" (43 percent) ahead of government (28 percent). Along with the feeling that business holds little threat, only 40 percent of Canadians believe that future business conditions will be good. This compares to 66 percent in 1981. Canadians in British Columbia (19 percent) and in the Atlantic Provinces (27 percent) are most pessimistic, while Quebecers (55 percent) appear to have most confidence in future business conditions. (From the Gallup Report).