

analyses originating in the provincial-interests section of the Canadian Embassy in Washington to the participating provinces.

In facilitating arrangements for visits abroad by provincial officials, the division provided in 1975 assistance for the following visits (among many others): Premier Hatfield of New Brunswick to Japan, Premier Bourassa of Quebec to Iran, to Greece and to the Federal Republic of Germany, and Premier Lougheed to Europe. It helped co-ordinate fact-finding missions of the Ontario *ombudsman* to Europe and Israel and the Ontario Mercury Poisoning Mission to Japan and Iraq. The division also helped arrange the visit to New Brunswick of President Lamizana of Upper Volta while he was in Canada on a state visit and Premier Hatfield's subsequent visit to Upper Volta, and co-ordinated the visits of a number of foreign missions to the provinces.

The federal and provincial governments co-operated effectively in a number of fields involving international relations. A major achievement was the successful conclusion, at a meeting in Paris in December, of the OECD review of education policies in Canada. This survey, involving a subject of exclusive provincial jurisdiction in the context of an international organization, was carried out over a period of two years, with the support of a subsidy of \$500,000 from the Federal Government. The necessary co-ordination was provided by the Federal-Provincial Co-ordination Division. The first meeting of the Canadian-Belgian Mixed Commission and its Belgian-Quebec Subcommittee, which required extensive federal-provincial consultation, gave a fresh impetus to Belgian-Canadian cultural exchanges. The division also participated in the seminar on the topic "The Federal Dimension in Canada's External Behaviour" held at Carleton University in December, thereby furthering its efforts to promote dialogue and debate on this subject. Of particular interest in the context of federal-provincial consultations in the international field were the Law of the Sea Conference in Geneva and the Multinational Trade Negotiations.