One of the major tasks of this division is the compilation and editing of state papers in the series entitled Documents on Canadian External Relations, nine volumes of which have already been published. For technical reasons, Volume 12 (1946) has preceded Volumes 9, 10 and 11, which will cover the remaining years of the war. Though Volume 9 is expected to be released in the second half of 1979, it is still too soon to set approximate dates for the publication of Volumes 10 and 11, work on which is progressing as planned. From time to time, the division also undertakes special projects, one of which is the compilation and publication of documents on pre-Confederation relations with Newfoundland. Volume 1 of this study appeared in 1975, and it is planned to have Volume 2 released in time to mark the thirtieth anniversary of Newfoundland's union with Canada.

The division also serves as a link with the Pan-American Institute of Geography and History, an official agency of the Organization of American States.

The Bureau of Information has the tasks of supporting Canadian for-eign-policy objectives by spreading the knowledge of Canada abroad, and of creating within Canada an understanding of the activities of the Department of External Affairs. It is thus responsible for the Department's programs of information and media

relations outside Canada and for informing the Canadian public of Canada's external relations.

The activities of the bureau support all programs of the Federal Government abroad. Thus they require continuous liaison with other federal departments and agencies, with provincial governments and with private organizations. Joint planning and close co-operation with the Bureau of International Cultural Relations ensure the operation of an integrated public-affairs program at Canadian missions.

The external programs of the bureau are focused primarily on the United States, Britain and members of the European Economic Community, France and other members of La Francophonie, and Japan, though every Canadian mission is prepared to respond to enquiries about Canada. The components of the bureau are the External Information Programs Division, the Domestic Information Programs Division and the World Exhibitions Program.

The External Information Programs Division directs and provides material support for the programs of public information undertaken by Canadian posts. It produces information materials and conducts projects in support of Government policies and programs adapted to the requirements of particular audiences.

The day-to-day information activities of this division involve all the