

Finally, the information program also included touring exhibits, on 30 topics, erected at trade shows, cultural fairs and during Canada Days.

#### Information programs in Canada

The Department continued its domestic information work on Canadian foreign policy and in support of consular awareness (see Part D), for the general public, schools and special interest groups. An enquiries service answers domestic mail and telephone requests by means of correspondence, prepared texts, statements and speeches and brochures.

In 1981, domestic information activities included: a visits program under which members of Parliament, journalists, leaders of women's organizations and junior university professors travelled to the headquarters of NATO, the EC and the OECD to learn firsthand about Canada's security and economic links with Europe; a publications program, including the Department's annual report to Parliament; projects such as texts on foreign policy for use in high schools, radio "mini-documentaries" on foreign policy and international relations and a film on the Department's consular services; an information kit for schools on Commonwealth Day; a speakers' program under which Canadian ambassadors travelled in Canada speaking to community groups and representatives of the press and participated in radio and TV public affairs programs. The Department also arranged film showings and briefings on Canada's foreign policy for a large number of groups of students and adults.

#### Relations with universities

In 1981, as part of the Department's academic programs, 90 officers from headquarters gave 300 lectures or seminars at some 50 universities and related organizations across the country. The purpose of the Speakers Program is to enable university students and faculty members to keep abreast of foreign policy developments in Canada. In addition, three senior departmental officials were on detachment at the Universities of Calgary, Laval and Moncton to contribute directly to the study and teaching of Canadian foreign policy and international relations.

#### Historical affairs

The Department's historical affairs division has three main objectives: to collect and disseminate information about the Department's evolution and Canada's past foreign policy; to develop co-operative relations in the research field with the Department's academic constituency as well as with other researchers and writers at home and abroad; and to establish a research and data base for other branches of External Affairs.

Much of the resources were committed to the writing of a two-volume history of the Department's evolution to 1979. Volume 1, to 1963, has been completed and will be published simultaneously with Volume 2 for the seventy-fifth anniversary of the Department in 1984. In connection