

year were the Garrison Diversion Project, Great Lakes water-quality and -levels questions, Saint John River water-quality, and the apportionment of Poplar River flow.

Defence

Close Canadian-U.S. co-operation on defence questions continued in 1976. A wide variety of questions affecting bilateral arrangements for North American defence were considered by the Permanent Joint Board on Defence (PJBD) and in a number of bilateral discussions.

Agreement was reached, after lengthy negotiation, on the purchase from the Lockheed Corporation of a long-range patrol aircraft (the CP-140) for the Canadian Armed Forces.

Public Affairs

With all their other functions, Canada's Embassy in Washington and the 15 consular posts in the U.S. continued their efforts to increase the knowledge and understanding of Canada in that country through Canada's largest public-affairs program. This involved extensive contacts with the U.S. information media and arrangements for visits to Canada by key "opinion-formers". Posts continued to encourage the development of Canadian studies programs at selected U.S. universities and Canadian cultural activities in the United States continued to expand. (For Canadian participation in the U.S. Bicentennial celebrations, see pp 84.)