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involvement and time of the Secretary of State Department; of the SSEA and his office; of the Governor General and his office; and of Protocol Division. As this document is provided only upon specific request, as it requires the attention of those persons mentioned above, and as it would appear to be unnecessary, it is suggested that consideration be given to the elimination of the formal exequatur document in its present form; and that it be replaced by the separate exequatur proposed above.

Consular commissions may or may not be received with the arrival note. If one is received, it is sent to Production Services in order that three copies (reduced) of it may be made. These are placed on the diary file, the "exequatur" 22-10-6-1 file, and on the consular post file(s). If, at a later date, a request is received for an exequatur, the consular commission must be submitted and copies of it are made and filed as above.

COMMENT: The reply to the arrival note invariably states that "the Governor General has been pleased to accord definitive recognition...", and this statement is made whether or not the consular commission has been seen. Therefore, the rationale is not clear as to (a) why the consular commission must be submitted prior to the granting of the formal exequatur document and (b) why the consular commissions are photographically reduced, copied and filed.

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*Why does the Governor General enter into the act - even theoretically. Is not the SSEA specifically empowered by the Dept of E.A. Act to dispose of consular matters?*