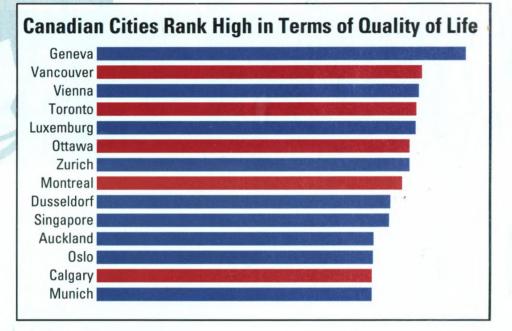
Four Canadian cities rated in top ten in survey of locational advantages

orporate Resources Group (CRG) of Geneva regularly surveys major world cities for its multinational business and government clients to provide objective third-party comparisons of the quality-of-living benefits of different locations. The company says that its clients use this information to determine allowances paid to personnel transferred abroad.

In its latest survey of 118 cities, four Canadian cities were among the top ten and five were among the top thirteen.

Vancouver placed second immediately after Geneva itself. Toronto was fourth, Ottawa sixth, Montreal eighth and Calgary thirteenth.

CRG's rating system uses New York City as a base, with a quality index of 100. By this benchmark, Geneva scored 106, Vancouver 105.29, Toronto 105.20,



Ottawa 105.09, Montreal 104.97 and Calgary 104.48. The top-rated city in the U.S. was Boston in 30th place.

The survey rated the cities on the basis of 42 factors including political and social environment, personal safety, public infrastructure, and health and education. The criteria were selected by CRG to reflect factors that most international executives consider to be crucial.◆

