Other parts of the manual deal with state and diplomatic immunity as it relates to actions in Canadian courts, the espousal of claims by the Government of Canada in cases of state responsibility and several other legal problems of interest to the legal profession and the public at large.

Foreign judgments, decrees or orders cannot be recognized or enforced in Canada by means of a request for judicial assistance, and the Department of External Affairs will return any such request received, together with the explanation that an individual seeking to have a foreign judgment, decree or order recognized or enforced must institute an action for that purpose before a competent court of one of the provinces or territories. As with most legal proceedings, it is necessary to retain counsel to conduct the suit. The Department of External Affairs does not involve itself in the recognition or enforcement of foreign judgments as they are matters outside the scope of letters rogatory.

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