administrative and technical personnel, private servants, and household members. The co-operation of all missions is requested in submitting this information which should show dates and places of birth. It may be of interest to note that the Citizenship Act Statutes of Canada Chapter 108 stipulates that a person born in Canada is not a Canadian citizen if "at the time of his birth, either of his parents was a diplomatic or consular officer or other representative or employee in Canada of a foreign government, or an employee in the service of such a person".

## 7. Health Services

Members of foreign missions may be eligible to participate in provincial health insurance plans. It is therefore suggested that information be sought in this regard from the local office of the health plan in the province of residence.

In the interest of public health, missions are strongly encouraged also to avail themselves of the tuberculin tests and chest X-rays which may be obtained free of charge at the Provincial Chest Clinics, Ontario Ministry of Health, 250 Somerset Street East (telephone: 233-4089), and 1015 Merivale Road (telephone: 729-5796), Ottawa. The health authorities especially recommend that prospective employees be invited to undergo examination at one of the Provincial Chest Clinics before being engaged to work in diplomatic offices or diplomatic households. In certain circumstances free treatment of tuberculosis may be provided.

Furthermore, immunization against yellow fever is available at the Public Service Medical Centre, National Capital Zone, 301 Elgin Street, Ottawa. For all other vaccinations and immunizations, missions should consult either their regular physicians or the Ottawa-Carleton Regional Health Unit (telephone: 225-2223).

## 8. <u>Canadian Social Security Benefits (permanent residents of Canada)</u>

Canadian social security benefits are intrinsically linked to the computation of income under the Canadian Income Tax Act. Accordingly, mission staff members who are Canadian citizens or permanent residents should ensure that they fulfill their obligation to eventually benefit from social security entitlements. Missions have also certain obligations under the Vienna Conventions on Diplomatic Relations (article 33) and Consular Relations (article 48). Missions are therefore encouraged to establish an account with Revenue Canada - Taxation in order that income tax and social security contributions can be deducted from the employees' salaries. This would benefit those employees affected by ensuring that they would remain eligible for Canadian social security benefits.

Under present regulations, employment in Canada by a foreign mission is "excepted" employment for the purposes of both Unemployment Insurance and the Canada Pension Plan. It remains excepted employment, even if the customary contributions are made, unless certain formalities