international organizations and an increase of \$4 million (85 per cent) in assistance to other countries.

- 21. Finance. The 1963-64 expenditure of \$1,406 million by this department was \$52 million or 4 per cent greater than the total spent in the preceding year. The most significant variations were an increase of \$73 million (8 per cent) in interest on the public debt and a decrease of \$23 million due to the termination in the preceding year of payments under the Federal-Provincial Tax-Sharing Arrangements Act, 1956, c. 29.
- 22. Labour. The decrease of \$68 million or 19 per cent in expenditure by this department in 1963-64 in comparison with the preceding year was more than accounted for by a decrease of \$71 million (34 per cent) in payments to the provinces to provide financial assistance for vocational and technical schools and training programs.
- 23. Mines and Technical Surveys. Expenditure by this department decreased by \$3.4 million or 5 per cent during the year under review due to a decrease of \$4 million (37 per cent) in the expenditures of the Marine Sciences Branch.
- 24. National Defence. The expenditure of \$1,683 million in 1963-64 by this department was \$112 million or 7 per cent more than in the preceding year. The increase was more than accounted for by a \$76.5 million supplementary contribution by the Government to the Canadian Forces Superannuation Account to provide for additional liabilities resulting from an increase in the rates of pay of Armed Forces personnel \$29 million (11 per cent) higher expenditure for the Royal Canadian Navy, a \$5 million (12 per cent) increase in outlays of the Defence Research Board, and a \$4 million (15 per cent) increase in Mutual Aid to NATO countries.
- 25. National Health and Welfare. The increase of \$81 million or 7 per cent in expenditure by this Department in 1963-64 compared with the preceding year was largely accounted for by increases of \$56 million (17 per cent) in the Government's contributions under the Hospital Insurance and Diagnostic Services Act, \$11 million (11 per cent) in unemployment assistance, and \$7 million (1.3 per cent) in family allowance payments.
- 26. National Revenue. Of the \$4.3 million or 5 per cent increase in expenditure recorded for this Department in 1963-64, \$1.7 million (4 per cent) was in the Customs and Excise Division and \$2.5 million (7 per cent) in the Taxation Division. The increases were due to generally higher administrative costs in both Divisions.
- 27. Northern Affairs and National Resources. Expenditure by this Department was down \$9 million or 10 per cent in comparison with 1962-63. The most significant change was in expenditure of the Northern Administration Branch where there was no outlay comparable to the \$7 million write-off in the preceding year of loans made to the Northern Canada Power Commission for the construction and installation of public utilities at Inuvik, N.W.T. Expenditure by the National Parks Branch on the construction or acquisition of buildings, works, land and equipment decreased by \$4 million (24 per cent). Contributions to provinces to assist in the development of roads leading to