

The project will provide an improved facility on an interim basis. Plans are proceeding for a much larger programme involving the rehabilitation and expansion of Colombian national long-distance telephone services. The World Bank has recently agreed to provide \$16 million to help finance the larger programme.

In making the announcement, Mr. Winters congratulated the exporter on obtaining the order. "Such sales he said, "are helping to establish a world-wide reputation for Canadian equipment and design, so that more and more capital goods importers are looking to Canada to supply their needs." He said he hoped the sale would lead to further mutually beneficial relations between Canada and Colombia.

This is the thirty-ninth long-term financing agreement signed under the Export Credits Insurance Act and brings the total amount of contracts signed to \$332 million, projects having been financed in 14 countries. To May 31, 1967, disbursements totalled \$223 million, and repayments \$45 million.

ARCHITECTURAL SCHOLARSHIPS

The winners of seven travelling scholarships offered annually by the Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation to students of Canadian schools of architecture were announced recently by CMHC President H.W. Hignett. The awards are made available to students planning their final year of architectural studies, on the basis of scholastic achievement and interest in housing.

This year's winners represent: the Nova Scotia Technical College, Halifax; Laval University, Quebec; McGill University, Montreal; the University of Montreal; the University of Toronto; the University of Manitoba and the University of British Columbia.

The purpose of the tour is to enable students to see environmental architecture in some major cities in North America. Following the tour, the students will work in the Architectural and Planning Division at Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation's head office in Ottawa for about eight weeks. Afterwards they will be required to submit a paper on the tour and their work.

Mr. Paul Martin, Secretary of State for External Affairs, recently announced the award of a final contract that completed one stage of Canada's participation in a refugee-housing scheme in Lahore, Pakistan. The contract covers two 150-kilowatt diesel-electric generation plants at a total estimated cost of \$42,500,000. Road construction machinery, a crushing plant, conveyor, lumber and a water distribution system were supplied by Canadian companies under earlier contracts.

The sale, worth \$200,000, will be financed through the Export Credits Insurance Corporation, which administers the Canadian Government's long-term export-financing programme. It is the first financed sale under this programme to a buyer in Colombia. The purchase is a large-scale project for telecommunications equipment and related services to Colombia.