Canadian policy on the item in question, and to assist in the behind-the-scenes discussions which are so important in arriving at a satisfactory final result. The broad instructions, to which the detailed guidance is a supplement, are submitted to Cabinet for approval. They are necessarily general and in some cases tentative, since the course of events in the Assembly can never be fully predicted beforehand. During the course of the Assembly, the Delegation is in daily consultation with the Department and further guidance and assistance are continually being sought by telephone and telegraph.

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