EXTERNAL AFFAIRS JOINT COUNCIL

MEETING

NOVEMBER 22, 1989

SUMMARY RECORD

The meeting of the External Affairs Joint Council (EAJC) held November 22, 1989 was chaired by Management.

The Public Service Alliance of Canada introduced three new members to the Committee: Don Larkin, PSAC National Director, Countries Outside Canada; Tony Washbrook, First Vice President of Local 70371; and Kevin McCarthy, Chief Steward of Local 70125. Mr. McCarthy will also represent the Alliance on technological change matters.

1. Self-Funded Leave:

Management informed the Staff Side that copies of the revised policy had been submitted to Treasury Board. The Treasury Board has not as yet made any comments on this revised document. Both sides look forward to an early implementation of this policy.

2. Make or Buy Studies:

In response to a question from the Staff Side regarding the status of the Make or Buy Studies, Management provided the following information:

a) Word Processing

- A memo informing employees of the progress in this area and reaffirming the Department's assurance that there will be no layoffs as a result of this initiative is to be sent shortly.
- Final data gathering is expected within the next three months at which time a complete report will be prepared.
 - No major impacts are expected as a result of this study.

b) Driver and Vehicle Services

- This project is completed. Two PY's were eliminated, however no layoffs resulted from this study. The affected employees have been successfully reassigned.

c) Trade Fairs and Missions

- The consultant's report is completed. A working group is now considering the report in light of implementing the recommendations.