

other FAO bodies. A number of Canadians are on the staff at Rome headquarters, and many Canadians have undertaken assignments under FAO technical assistance programs. Canadian membership in the organization is provided for by an Act of the Canadian Parliament passed in 1945. A committee of officials from Canadian Government Departments (the Canadian Interdepartmental FAO Committee) has been established to maintain liaison between the FAO Secretariat and the Canadian Government.

The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization.—The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) was established in 1946 “to contribute to peace and security by promoting collaboration among the nations through education, science and culture in order to further universal respect for justice, for the rule of law, for human rights and fundamental freedoms”

Total membership in the Organization includes 101 States and four associate members. The Organization is made up of three principal organs—the General Conference, which is the policy-making body, the Executive Board and the Secretariat. Representatives from member States make up the General Conference which meets every two years to consider applications for membership, elect the Executive Board, plan the program and approve the budget for the ensuing two-year period. The latest General Conference was held at the Headquarters of the Organization in Paris in November and December 1960. (See also Sect. 5 of Part II of the Education and Research Chapter of this volume.)

International Bank for Reconstruction and Development.—The International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD) was formed at the same time as the International Monetary Fund for three main purposes: (1) to facilitate the investment of capital for productive purposes; (2) to promote private foreign investment by means of guarantees or of participation in loans by private investors; and (3) to make loans where private capital is not available on reasonable terms. From its inception to June 30, 1961, the Bank has made 292 loans in some 57 member countries and territories. The cumulative total of Bank loans, net of cancellations and refundings, was \$5,669,000,000 as of June 30, 1961, of which \$4,320,000,000 had been disbursed by that date. Of the latter amount \$1,452,000,000 had been repaid to the Bank or sold to other investors. The effective loans held by the Bank at June 30 stood at \$3,996,000,000. Canada's subscription to the Bank was raised from \$375,000,000 to \$750,000,000 in 1959.

International Civil Aviation Organization.—The International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO), with headquarters in Montreal, is the only Specialized Agency of the United Nations with headquarters in Canada. Canada has been a member of the 21-nation Council, which has sat in almost continuous session in Montreal, since ICAO was provisionally established in 1945. At a Special Assembly of ICAO held in June 1961, there was drawn up a Protocol of Amendment to the ICAO Convention which, if ratified by a required number of Member Nations, will raise the size of Council to 27. Canada has already ratified the Protocol.

The International Development Association.—The International Development Association came into being on Sept. 26, 1960 as an affiliate of the IBRD and commenced operations on Nov. 8, 1960. It seeks to promote economic development, increase productivity and raise standards of living in the less-developed areas covered by the Association's membership. It does this by providing loans to the less-developed countries on terms more flexible and bearing less heavily on their balance of payments than those of conventional loans. Canada's share of total subscriptions is \$37,830,000 (U.S.).

The International Finance Corporation.—The function of the International Finance Corporation, which is an affiliate of the IBRD, is to promote the growth of productive private enterprise by assisting private capital, by acting as a clearing house in bringing together investment opportunities and private capital and by helping to enlist managerial skill and experience when not otherwise available to a project. Canada has subscribed \$3,520,000 to the capital of the Corporation.