

Certain emergency functions of government are a projection of normal provincial peacetime responsibility. In these fields, provinces and municipalities have more experience and knowledge of local conditions and problems than have the Federal Government and its agencies. The following represents responsibilities of this kind, and are the concern of provincial authorities with such federal assistance as may be necessary:—

- (1) Preservation of law and order and the prevention of panic by the use of provincial and municipal police and special constables, with whatever support is necessary and feasible from the RCMP and the Armed Services at provincial request.
- (2) Control of road traffic, except in areas damaged or covered by heavy fallout, including special measures to assist in the emergency movement of people from areas likely to be attacked or affected by heavy fallout.
- (3) Reception services, including arrangements for providing accommodation, emergency feeding and other emergency supplies and welfare services for people who have lost or left their homes or who require assistance because of the breakdown of normal facilities.
- (4) Organization and control of medical services, hospitals and public health measures.
- (5) Maintenance, clearance and repair of highways.
- (6) Organization of municipal and other services for the maintenance and repair of water and sewerage systems.
- (7) Organization of municipal and other fire-fighting services, and control over and direction of these services in wartime, except in damaged or heavy fallout areas, where fire-fighting services would be under the direction of the Army as part of the re-entry operation.

The federal civil emergency planning organization consists of a Cabinet Committee on Emergency Plans to give policy guidance in all areas of civil emergency planning, the federal Emergency Measures Organization, and departmental planning staffs. The Emergency Measures Organization has a headquarters staff in Ottawa and regional offices in each provincial capital which are responsible for co-ordinating the planning of federal departments and agencies in the provinces and maintaining liaison with both the appropriate provincial and military authorities. The organization has an officer in Paris attached to the Canadian Delegation to maintain liaison with other NATO countries and to keep abreast of developments in these countries. Liaison with the United States is carried out by headquarters staff in Ottawa.

In order to assist provinces and municipalities in the development of emergency plans, the Emergency Measures Organization administers a program of grants under which the Federal Government may pay up to 75 p.c. of the cost of approved civil defence projects.

To provide the public with information on survival measures, shelter designs and related matters, EMO and other federal agencies have published a variety of leaflets and pamphlets. Those most widely distributed are *Survival in Likely Target Areas*, *Simpler Shelters*, *11 Steps to Survival*, *Your Basement Fallout Shelter*, and *Fallout on the Farm*, which cover a variety of subjects ranging from construction of shelters to the effects of radioactive fallout on agriculture. Copies of these publications are made available to the public through the provincial civil defence organization in each provincial capital.

The Emergency Supply Planning Branch of the Department of Defence Production has the responsibility to plan for a War Supplies Agency which, in time of war, would control the distribution and use of essential supplies, their prices and their rationing, as required.

In order to ensure the continuity of civilian governmental authority in an emergency, emergency facilities are available for the Federal Government in the Ottawa area, and in six regions. In this context, regional boundaries correspond with provincial boundaries. To ensure continuity of communications, an Emergency National Telecommunications Organization has been established within the Department of Transport. Under its authority, the CBC has developed plans for emergency broadcasting, at any time, to all areas of Canada.