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economic developments and recommend measures to achieve the highest possible levels of employment and efficient production and to reduce regional disparities. The council reports to Parliament through the prime minister and publishes various reports and studies.

**Economic Development, Ministry of State for.** Created by order-in-council PC 1978-3803 on December 19, 1978 the ministry has responsibility to formulate, develop, evaluate and co-ordinate new and comprehensive policies in relation to the government programs and activities that directly support Canadian economic development. It also promotes co-operative relationships with provinces, business and labour and other public and private organizations for the development of the economy; advises on the allocation of financial, personnel and other resources to federal programs that directly support economic development; and develops mechanisms to improve and integrate the delivery of economic development programs at the local or regional level.

The ministry is organized into five branches: policy formulation; operations; evaluation and assessment; personnel, finance and administration; and communications. It provides policy and operational support to the cabinet committee on economic development.

**Eldor Resources Ltd.** This company is a wholly owned subsidiary of Eldorado Nuclear Ltd. and reports to Parliament through the minister of energy, mines and resources. It was incorporated in 1978 to purchase an interest in the Key Lake, Sask. uranium ore deposit and other uranium resource properties.

**Eldorado** Aviation Ltd. This company is a wholly owned subsidiary of Eldorado Nuclear Ltd. and was incorporated in 1953 to carry air traffic, both passenger and freight, for Eldorado Nuclear Ltd. It reports to Parliament through the minister of energy, mines and resources.

**Eldorado Nuclear Ltd.** Set up in 1944 (RSC 1952, c.53) under the name of Eldorado Mining and Refining (1944) Ltd. (the date was omitted in June 1952 and the name changed in 1968), the Crown company's business is the mining and refining of uranium and production of nuclear fuels in Canada. The company acts as a custodian of concentrates purchased under stockpiling contracts. It reports to Parliament through the minister of energy, mines and resources.

Employment and Immigration, Department of (Employment and Immigration Canada). This department was established in 1977 to provide services to the Canada Employment and Immigration Commission.

Energy, Mines and Resources, Department of (Energy, Mines and Resources Canada). The department was created in 1966 by the Government Organization Act (RSC 1970, c.E.6). In addition to its administrative services it is organized into three sectors. The energy sector has responsibilities relating to the development of plans and policies for all forms of energy, including renewable energy sources and energy conservation, the development of programs, legislation and agreements to implement those policies, the direction of studies relating to energy sources and requirements, provision of in-depth economic analysis, and the co-ordination of policy advice. A major responsibility of the sector is research on and formulation of a national energy policy. The mineral policy sector gathers economic data on nonrenewable resources for use by government, industry and the public. It also develops policy proposals for the government and the mineral industry to help determine policies and decisions that will ensure an adequate, dependable and timely flow of minerals to meet the country's needs at reasonable cost. The science and technology sector includes a geological survey of Canada, a Canada centre for mineral and energy technology (CANMET), a surveys and mapping branch, an earth physics branch, a Canada centre for remote sensing and the polar continental shelf project, all engaged in research and the provision of information; an office of energy research and development which co-ordinates federal research and development related to energy policies; an explosives branch which controls, under provisions of the Explosives Act, the production and handling of explosives; and the Canada centre for geoscience data.

Atomic Energy of Canada Ltd., Eldorado Nuclear Ltd., Eldorado Aviation Ltd., the Atomic Energy Control Board, the National Energy Board, Uranium Canada Ltd., Petro-Canada, the Energy Supplies Allocation Board and the interprovincial boundary commissions report to Parliament through the minister of energy, mines and resources. Administrative support for the international boundary commission is provided by the energy, mines and resources department; in reporting to Parliament and dealing with its counterpart in the United States the commission is responsible to the secretary of state for external affairs.

**Environment, Department of the** (Environment Canada). Established by an act of Parliament in 1979, the environment department carries the main federal responsibility of combating pollution and ensuring proper management and development of Canada's renewable resources.

An atmospheric environment service (AES) acquires, processes and provides information on climatological, meteorological and ice data. AES maintains a national communications system to provide current and forecast weather and ice information to the general public, aviation, marine, agriculture and other special users. It also carries out research into atmospheric conditions and processes, air quality, and in