

business, and to maintain confidence in the integrity and viability of private enterprise. The Department also supports the consumer movement.

Minister responsible:

Minister of Consumer and Corporate Affairs

Correctional Investigator (Office of the)

PO Box 2324, Station D
Ottawa, Ontario K1P 5W5

Information: Ottawa/Hull (613) 993-6425,
990-2695.

The Office of the Correctional Investigator investigates complaints from inmates, as defined in the Penitentiary Act. It also reports on problems of inmates, raised through complaints, that come within the responsibility of the Solicitor General of Canada, except for problems where the person complaining has not, in the opinion of the Correctional Investigator, exhausted all available legal or administrative remedies; problems concerning any subject matter that ceased to exist or to be the subject of complaint more than one year before the lodging of the complaint with the Commissioner (Correctional Investigator); and problems concerning any subject matter or conditions under the responsibility of the Solicitor General of Canada that touch on the preparation of material for consideration of the National Parole Board. Further, the Commissioner need not investigate if the subject matter of a complaint has previously been investigated or if, in the opinion of the Commissioner, a person complaining has no valid interest in the matter.

Minister responsible:

Solicitor General of Canada

Correctional Service of Canada

Head office
Sir Wilfrid Laurier Building
340 Laurier Avenue West
Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0P9

Regional offices: Abbotsford, Saskatoon,
Kingston, Laval, Moncton.

District offices: throughout Canada.

Information: Ottawa/Hull (613) 992-5891.

The Correctional Service of Canada, as part of the criminal justice system, has as its mission to contribute to the protection of society by exercising safe, secure and humane control of offenders while helping them become law-abiding citizens. It provides programs for offenders from pre-admission until the expiration of their sentence. It operates

on the basis that the offender must be viewed from physical, emotional and cultural aspects.

Minister responsible:

Solicitor General of Canada

Defence Construction (1951) Limited

Head office
Sir Charles Tupper Building
3rd Floor, A Wing
Riverside Drive
Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0K3

Regional offices: Victoria, Winnipeg, Toronto,
Montreal (Longueuil), Halifax.

Site offices: on various Canadian Forces bases
across the country.

Information: Ottawa/Hull (613) 998-9548.

The Corporation is the contracting and supervisory agency for the major military construction and maintenance projects required by the Department of National Defence. Its principal functions are to obtain tenders, make recommendations on proposed awards, and to award and administer contracts.

Minister responsible:

Minister of Public Works

Economic Council of Canada

320 Queen Street
Tower A, 18th Floor
Ottawa, Ontario
(Mail: PO Box 527, Station B
Ottawa, Ontario K1P 5V6)

Information: Ottawa/Hull (613) 952-1711.

The Council is an independent, advisory body that prepares and publishes an annual review of the country's economic problems and medium-term prospects. It also conducts economic studies on its own initiative or at the request of the government. The results of its research are available to the public in the form of published reports and authored research studies.

Minister responsible:

Prime Minister of Canada

Elections Canada

440 Coventry Road
Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0M6

Information: Ottawa/Hull (613) 993-2975 or toll-free 1-800-267-VOTE.

The Chief Electoral Officer of Canada is responsible for the supervision of the administrative