and remissions, and has jurisdiction over Correctional Service Canada, the National Parole Board, the RCMP and the Canadian Security Intelligence Service.

Minister responsible: Solicitor General of Canada

Standards Council of Canada

Head office 350 Sparks Street, Suite 1200 Ottawa, Ontario K1P 6N7 Information: Ottawa/Hull (613) 238-3222.

The Council promotes voluntary standardization in fields relating to the construction, manufacture, production, quality, performance and safety of buildings, structures, manufactured articles, products and other goods not expressly provided for by law.

Minister responsible:

Minister of Consumer and Corporate Affairs

Statistics Canada

Head office R.H. Coats Building Tunney's Pasture Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0T6

Regional offices: Vancouver, Calgary, Edmonton, Regina, Winnipeg, Toronto, Sturgeon Falls, Montreal, Halifax, St. John's.

Information: Ottawa/Hull (613) 951-8116.

As Canada's central statistical agency, Statistics Canada collects, processes, analyzes and disseminates data on virtually every aspect of the nation's society and economy, and provides inquiry and consultation services to statistical users. In addition, the agency co-operates in the statistical activities of other federal and provincial departments and fulfils a range of international statistical commitments.

Minister responsible:

Minister of Supply and Services

Status of Women Canada

151 Sparks Street, Room 1005 Ottawa, Ontario K1A 1C3 Information: Ottawa/Hull (613) 995-7835.

Status of Women activities in the federal government: this office monitors federal department policies and programs to promote equality between the sexes, co-ordinates measures at the federal level to improve the status of women, and ensures federal-provincial and non-governmental consultation on status of women questions.

Minister responsible:

Minister responsible for the Status of Women

Superintendent of Financial Institutions Canada (Office of the)

Head office 255 Albert Street Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0H2

Regional offices: Vancouver, Winnipeg, Toronto, Montreal.

Information: Ottawa/Hull (613) 990-7788.

The Superintendent of Financial Institutions is responsible for regulating and supervising banks, insurance, trust, loan and investment companies, and co-operative credit associations that are chartered, licensed or registered by the federal government, and for supervising federally regulated pension plans. The Office of the Superintendent also has a responsibility to provide actuarial reports on various government pension programs.

Minister responsible:

Minister of State for Finance (under the authority of the Minister of Finance)

Supply and Services Canada

Head office Place du Portage Phase III 11 Laurier Street Hull, Quebec (Mail: Ottawa, Ontario K1A 085)

Regional offices: Vancouver, Winnipeg, Calgary, Toronto (Mississauga), Ottawa, Montreal, Quebec, Halifax.

Other offices: throughout Canada.

Crown Assets Distribution Centres: Vancouver (Richmond), Edmonton, Winnipeg, Mississauga, Ottawa, Hull, Montreal, Dartmouth.

Information: Ottawa/Hull (819) 997-6363; Crown Assets Distribution Centres, Ottawa/Hull (819) 994-0074.

Supply and Services Canada is the chief purchasing agent and central accountant for the Government of Canada.

Minister responsible:

Minister of Supply and Services