



International and Intergovernmental Relations 29th Annual Report

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Preface

The Public Accounts of Alberta are prepared in accordance with the *Financial Administration Act* and the *Government Accountability Act*. The Public Accounts consist of the annual report of the Government of Alberta and the annual reports of each of the 24 Ministries.

The annual report of the Government of Alberta released June 25, 2002 contains the Minister of Finance's accountability statement, the consolidated financial statements of the Province and a comparison of the actual performance results to desired results set out in the government's business plan, including the *Measuring Up* report.

This annual report of the Ministry of International and Intergovernmental Relations contains the Minister's accountability statement, the audited financial statements of the Ministry and performance measures.

This Ministry annual report also includes other financial information as required by the *Financial Administration Act* and *Government Accountability Act*, either as separate reports or as a part of the financial statements, to the extent that the Ministry has anything to report.

Minister's Accountability Statement

The Ministry's Annual Report for the year ended March 31, 2002, was prepared under my direction in accordance with the *Government Accountability Act* and the government's accounting policies. All of the government's policy decisions as at August 26, 2002 with material economic or fiscal implications of which I am aware have been considered in the preparation of this report.

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Halvar Jonson
Minister

Message from Minister Jonson

The last fiscal year can best be described as a year full of change and challenges.

Just before the fiscal year began, the responsibility for Aboriginal Affairs was moved to the newly-created ministry of Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development. As a result, staffing levels and budgets were adjusted considerably from previous years.

About half way through the fiscal year, the Ministry's priorities, as outlined in the 2001-2004 Business Plan were expanded to deal with the events resulting from the September 11 terrorist attacks on the U.S.

The way we looked at the world changed that day. The attacks caused national, provincial, and state governments across North America to look more closely at security issues. Alberta was no different. Immediately following the attacks, Premier Klein created a task force composed of top-ranking cabinet members to review security in the province, including key energy and utility sites. The Premier asked me to chair that task force.

In the weeks following the attacks, the Ministry coordinated information for Albertans on security and emergency plans. Comprehensive reviews were undertaken by the task force and as a result, all security and emergency plans were reviewed and tightened. The task force on security also established stronger links between the Alberta government and federal government's intelligence and police services. As a result, Alberta is well ahead of other jurisdictions in security preparedness.

Despite these momentous events, the Ministry was able to achieve its goals. Highlights of the year include the Premier's successful mission to Washington, D.C. where he met with U.S. Vice President Cheney and key officials; defending Alberta's softwood lumber industry in the softwood lumber dispute with the U.S.; leading Alberta's involvement in the G-8 Summit preparations; and, ensuring Alberta's priorities for specific initiatives such as: full participation in international energy discussions, a national sex offender registry and a health dispute



IIR Minister Halvar Jonson

settlement mechanism were established with the federal government.

The Ministry's work can best be described as behind-the-scenes, long term and strategic. Our primary role is to ensure that a consistent approach is taken in all of Alberta's relations with all other governments. We work in cooperation with the front-line departments, but take the lead in trade negotiations, on national unity issues and at First Ministers' meetings. Ministry staff are a source of information and advice to departments on managing their relations with key government players.

As a result, the Ministry keeps track of its performance in a variety of ways including narrative records such as this report, biennial client satisfaction surveys, progress reports, secondary indicators such as trade statistics and polling results that measure the views of Canadians.

In the coming year, the Ministry will refocus its goals to provide increased importance on intergovernmental and trade issues.

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Halvar Jonson
Minister

Management's Responsibility for Reporting

Ministry business plans, annual reports, performance results and the supporting management information are integral to the government's fiscal and business plans, annual report, quarterly reports and other financial and performance reporting.

Responsibility for the integrity and objectivity of the financial statements and performance results for the Ministry rests with the Minister of International and Intergovernmental Relations. Under the direction of the Minister, I oversee the preparation of the Ministry's annual report, including financial statements and performance results. The financial statements and the performance results, of necessity, include amounts that are based on estimates and judgments. The financial statements are prepared in accordance with the government's stated accounting policies.

As Deputy Minister, in addition to program responsibilities, I establish and maintain the Ministry's financial administration and reporting functions. The ministry maintains systems of financial management and internal control which give consideration to costs, benefits, and risks that are designed to:

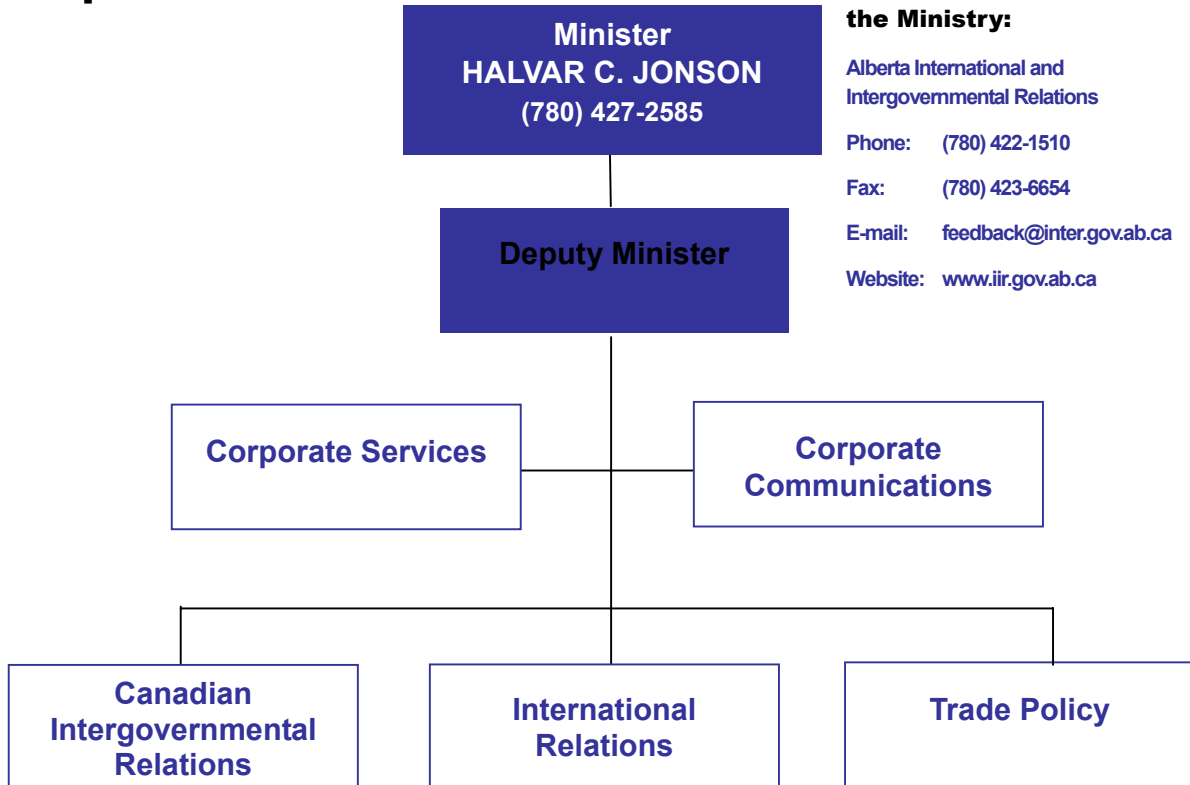
- provide reasonable assurance that transactions are properly authorized, executed in accordance with prescribed legislation and regulations, and properly recorded so as to maintain accountability of public money;
- provide information to manage and report on performance;
- safeguard the assets and properties of the Province under Ministry administration;
- provide Executive Council, Treasury Board, the Minister of Finance and the Minister of International and Intergovernmental Relations any information needed to fulfill their responsibilities; and,
- facilitate preparation of Ministry business plans and annual reports required under the *Government Accountability Act*.



Gerry Bourdeau
Deputy Minister of International and Intergovernmental Relations
August 26, 2002

Overview

Corporate Structure



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Operational Overview

The core business of the ministry, as defined in the 2001-2004 Business Plan, is to provide leadership in the management of Alberta's international and intergovernmental relationships.

The Ministry's primary role is to ensure a consistent approach is taken in all of Alberta's relations with all other governments. The ministry pursued its core business over the last fiscal year by focussing on two goals:

- To secure benefits for Alberta from strengthened international relations.
- To secure benefits for Alberta as an equal partner in a revitalized, united Canada.

The Ministry's Business Plan identifies several key results and achievements for each goal.

WHERE TO FIND IT: A copy of the Ministry's Business Plan is available on the Internet at:

<http://www.finance.gov.ab.ca/publications/budget/budget2001/inter.html>

A Brief Description on the Roles of each Section within the Ministry follows:

Canadian Intergovernmental Relations

The Canadian Intergovernmental Relations section works with other Alberta government departments, and the federal and provincial governments, to ensure that Alberta's interests are represented in the Canadian federation.

International Relations

The International Relations section works with other Alberta government departments to advance Alberta's strategic international interests, to develop and advance the province's international relationships.

Trade Policy

The Trade Policy section deals with domestic and international trade and investment agreements, negotiations and disputes affecting Albertans. It pursues policies that meet Alberta's objectives of reducing trade and investment barriers.

Corporate Services

The Ministry's Corporate Services section coordinates provision of financial services, human resources services, information technology, and administration services for the ministry.

Corporate Communications

The Corporate Communications section provides a wide range of services including strategic communications planning, issues management, media monitoring and relations, and the coordination of the Internet homepage, advertising and printing services.

There are no additional entities under the Ministry.

A Summary of Key Activities over the Past Year

This section describes the highlights of the key accomplishments within the Ministry of International and Intergovernmental Relations (IIR) between April 1, 2001 and March 31, 2002:

Following the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks on the U.S., IIR led a number of initiatives to build upon the province's emergency response and recovery plans. Activities included:

- facilitating the coordination of federal and provincial security initiatives as the country adapted to a new security environment;
- chairing the government's Task Force on Security;
- working with other ministries to develop information for Alberta government employees and stakeholders for handling suspicious mail and anthrax threats;
- developing a policy for reviewing all proposed international travel by government officials to ensure the travel proceeded in a coordinated, strategic and safe way; and,
- providing regular information updates to senior government staff in the form of media analysis as well as coordinating timely security information for all Albertans.

Goal 14 of the 2001-2004 Government of Alberta's Business Plan is committed to further increasing the province's value-added exports (the export of processed/manufactured goods or the export of services such as engineering, environmental and consulting services). The Ministry contributed to this goal by promoting greater trade liberalization through international and domestic trade agreements. For example:

- Staff coordinated Alberta's positions and approaches for a number of international trade negotiations underway such as the World Trade Organization negotiations, Canadian bilateral negotiations with Costa Rica, Singapore and with Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, and El Salvador, as well regional negotiations to the Free Trade Area of the Americas;
- Ministry staff provided advice and expertise during the U.S. countervailing duty investigation of softwood lumber as well as negotiations to resolve the dispute.

- The Ministry increased strategic focus on the U.S. in response to the North American Energy initiative and the events following September 11. Initiatives included coordinating a mission for Premier Klein to meet with the U.S. Vice President and key officials in Washington, D.C. and New York City.
- The Minister carried out an advocacy initiative on a domestic trade issue that led to significant changes to the federal Public Service Commission's hiring practices. The hiring practices disallowed applicants residing outside the immediate area of the job. An estimated 80% of federal government positions in the Ottawa area, previously not open to Albertans, are now available.

The Ministry led Alberta's response and involvement in the June 2002 G-8 Summit preparations by coordinating the assessment and resolution of strategic issues including an interdepartmental review of the G-8 Summit Framework Agreement. This involvement with the federal government ensured Alberta's priorities were addressed and the province's interests were protected.

Staff at IIR worked with other ministries to ensure Alberta's intergovernmental relations had a consistent and common set of intergovernmental objectives. This activity resulted in Alberta's priority issues being addressed at the Western Premier's Conference, the Annual Premier's Conference, and a special meeting of Premiers on health care in January 2002, including a dispute resolution mechanism for the Canada Health Act.

The Corporate Services team ensured the smooth transfer of the Aboriginal Affairs component of IIR to the new Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development. The Ministry's Corporate Services team continues to provide services to both ministries, resulting in efficiencies because no additional staff resources are required to meet the requirements of both ministries.

The Ministry met financial targets for the fiscal year. It also committed to a one per cent lapse in general and discretionary costs by reducing spending by \$151,000. (The actual end-of-year spending reduction totalled \$178,000 - see the Financial Results Section for more information).

Results Analysis

Core Businesses, Goals and Measures

Goal 1: To secure benefits for Alberta from strengthened international relations.

1.1 Key Results: Strengthened Alberta intergovernmental relationships with key foreign economic partners.

2002 G8 Summit

International and Intergovernmental Relations (IIR) led Alberta's response and involvement in G8 Summit preparations, planned for Kananaskis in June 2002. This involved the coordination of the Government of Alberta's contributions to the success of the Summit and ensuring that the security, economic, and environmental interests of Albertans were protected. The Ministry successfully led the negotiation of the G8 Summit Framework Agreement.

International Governance Office

The International Governance Office continued to coordinate and manage the Alberta government's participation in international governance projects. The office partnered with the private sector and with several Alberta government ministries (such as Environment, Treasury, Learning, Resource Development, and Agriculture, Food and Rural Development) on international development projects in Ukraine, South Africa, and China.

United States Initiatives

The United States remained Alberta's biggest trading and investment partner in 2001-02. Relations with U.S. decision makers and key states were strengthened through participation in a number of U.S. state-level organizations and bilateral cooperation agreements.

International and Intergovernmental Relations coordinated Premier Klein's successful mission to Washington D.C. and New York City in June 2001.

FACT: More than 89% of Alberta's exports went to the U.S. in 2001 (\$51 billion), a 69% increase from 1999.

FACT: Of Alberta's top 20 export markets, 17 are U.S. states (as averaged from 1997 - 2001).

Alberta's continental energy priorities and the province's ability to ensure a secure energy supply were discussed during meetings with U.S. Vice President Dick Cheney and other key energy decision makers.

The Ministry was also responsible for coordinating the Premier's Canada Day Mission to Los Angeles in July 2001. The Premier was joined on the mission with five Government Ministers. The mission promoted the Alberta Advantage and raised awareness of the province's strengths in energy, agriculture, technology, tourism and film, among key business leaders in Southern California.

Alberta continued to build its relationship with Alaska, through an exchange of missions by legislators and officials. International and Intergovernmental Relations worked with Alaskan officials to develop a memorandum of understanding, which was signed in the spring of 2002. The memorandum recognizes the common interest in bringing Arctic natural gas through Alberta's natural gas pipeline hub.

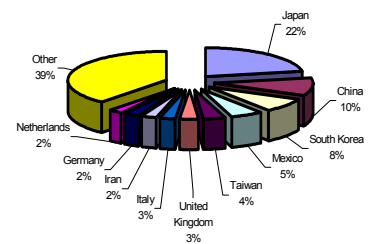
Following the events of September 11, 2001, IIR staff worked with other provinces to ensure an appropriate federal government response to address border issues and U.S. security concerns. Ministry staff attended a series of meetings with federal officials to promote Alberta's security message and played a key role in providing information to other departments.

Ministry staff also coordinated the province's participation in several international meetings:

- In July 2001, Alberta participated in meetings with the Pacific Northwest Economic Region in Whistler, British Columbia. The meetings provided an opportunity for regional leaders from both the public and private sector to discuss cooperation in agriculture, transportation, tourism and energy.
- The Council of State Governments-West (CSG-West) 2001 annual meeting was held in conjunction with PNWER in Whistler. The CSG-West presents an opportunity to meet with decision makers from fifteen western U.S. states. Alberta provides leadership through its membership in the Energy and Trade & Transportation Committees.

- Alberta hosted the inaugural meeting of the Idaho-Alberta Task Force in July 2001. The task force agreed to a dispute avoidance and resolution process, to resolve potential problems before they escalate.
- In August 2001, Premier Klein co-led the energy discussion (with Wyoming's Governor Geringer) at the Western Governors' Association (WGA) annual meeting in Idaho. This meeting laid the foundation for ongoing WGA cooperation with the Western Premiers' Council, as well as bilateral energy cooperation with Wyoming on coal bed methane research. The meeting also focused attention on developing continental solutions for energy development and supply.

Alberta's Key Export Markets
(excluding the U.S.)



Source: Strategis Canada

Mexico Initiatives

Mexico continued to be an important market for Alberta and the Ministry believed that strengthening ties with Mexico was a priority for Alberta. Bilateral energy ties were strengthened as a result of the Calgary visit of the Mexican Energy Secretary. Both Mexico and Alberta explored the possibilities of opening trade offices.

FACT: Mexico was Alberta's fourth largest export market, with exports valued at \$481 million.

FACT: Exports have increased 216% from 1997 (\$233 million).

Asia Pacific Initiatives

Alberta remained committed to Japan, China and Korea, as the Ministry recognized they were Alberta's most important overseas trade and investment partners.

FACT: 17 Alberta towns are twinned with towns in Japan.

In September 2001, IIR coordinated the 20th Anniversary of Alberta's twinning relationship with Heilongjiang, China. Alberta welcomed the Governor of Heilongjiang, Fatang Song, and a 70-member delegation to the province. Heilongjiang and Alberta identified areas for future cooperation including the training of Heilongjiang government and business executives in Alberta, and science and technology exchanges.

In January 2002, Premier Klein took part in a seven-day trade mission to Japan and Hong Kong before joining the Team Canada trade and investment mission to Russia and Germany. Ministry staff planned the Premier's activities outside of the Team Canada mission. The Premier met with key decision makers in Japan regarding new and on-going investment opportunities in Alberta. The Premier also promoted Alberta's tourism industry by joining the Calgary Stampede contingent's participation in Hong Kong's Chinese New Year parade.

At the invitation of the Japanese government, in March 2002, Minister Jonson participated in an 11-day information program for foreign dignitaries in Japan. The Minister met with senior Japanese officials and the Governor of Hokkaido, including on-site visits of industrial, technological, agricultural, and cultural sites in Tokyo and Hokkaido.

Europe and Russia Initiatives

International and Intergovernmental Relations staff contributed to the planning and preparation of Premier Klein’s participation in the Team Canada Mission to Russia and Germany in February 2002. During this mission, Alberta signed a Joint Declaration of Cooperation with the Free State of Saxony, Germany. The agreement promotes cooperation in a variety of sectors, including economic development, scientific research, education and tourism.

International and Intergovernmental Relations was the lead ministry for the Advisory Council on Alberta-Ukraine Relations and worked with other government ministries to ensure the Council achieved its goals. Alberta helped to secure governance projects in Ukraine and established scholarships for Ukrainians. As a result of its successful first year, the Council’s mandate was extended for a further three years effective November 2001.

FACT: One in ten Albertans trace their ancestry to Ukraine.

Northern Forum

Alberta is a member of The Northern Forum, a non-profit organization with 23 sub-national government member regions. The Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development (AAND) is responsible for managing Alberta’s role in the Northern Forum. International and Intergovernmental Relations staff supported AAND in planning and coordinating the 5th General Assembly of the Northern Forum in Edmonton. Sixteen northern regions (e.g. Russian Oblasts, Asian provinces, Alaska, and Lapland) were represented at this meeting held in October 2001.



International Missions and Visits

International and Intergovernmental Relations staff developed strategically-focused programs for more than 70 visiting delegations from 20 countries. Visitors included the new U.S. Ambassador to Canada, Paul Cellucci; the Mexican Energy Secretary, Ernesto Martens Rebollo; the Chinese Governor of Xinjiang, Wang Xianmin; the Chinese Governor of Heilongjiang, Song Fatang; the Pakistani Energy Minister, Usman Aminuddin; Thailand’s Princess Sirindhan; and, Ukraine’s Vice Prime Minister Rogovy.

FACT: Alberta had 76 visits from April 2000 to March 2001, including:

USA.....	11
Russia	6
Ukraine.....	5
China	4
United Kingdom	4
Germany.....	3
Japan.....	3
Mexico	3

Translation Bureau

International and Intergovernmental Relations continued to provide Alberta Government departments with high quality translations and interpretation services through contracted freelance translators and interpreters. The Bureau was instrumental in planning and coordinating simultaneous interpretation services in Japanese, Chinese and Russian for the successful Northern Forum General Assembly held in Edmonton. Also, in 2001, the Translation Bureau became a member of the Standards Council of Canada.

Cross-Government Coordination

Ministry staff conducted strategic reviews and assessments on all proposed international travel by Ministers. These efforts helped to ensure that international travel proceeded in a coordinated and strategic manner. International and Intergovernmental Relations also reviewed travel by all officials to minimize the risk of exposure to Foot and Mouth Disease. Following September 11, 2001, the Ministry assessed the risk of international travel to regions impacted by the fight against terrorism.

1.2 Key Results: Expanded trade liberalization and foreign market access for Albertans through international trade and investment agreements.

Softwood Lumber Negotiations

International and Intergovernmental Relations staff worked with the Ministry of Sustainable Resource Development (SRD) to defend Alberta's interests in the U.S. countervailing duty investigation of softwood lumber. After the expiry of the *Canada-U.S. Softwood Lumber Agreement* on March 31, 2001, U.S. industry groups petitioned the U.S. government to initiate trade actions against Canadian softwood lumber imports. As a result, countervailing and anti-dumping duties of 27.22 per cent were ultimately imposed on Canadian softwood imports by U.S. government authorities.

While these investigations were in progress, Canada and the U.S. engaged in negotiations to attempt to find a long-term solution to the softwood lumber dispute. Negotiations broke off in March 2002, and may resume. International and Intergovernmental Relations staff provided strategic direction and coordinated with SRD's staff and Alberta industry to develop Alberta's positions in these negotiations. International and Intergovernmental Relations staff also worked with SRD staff to develop Alberta's input into

Canada's World Trade Organization challenge to a U.S. subsidy ruling made during the investigation.

World Trade Organization – 4th Ministerial Conference

Ministry staff ensured that federal negotiators reflected Alberta's trade policy priorities and approaches for the 4th World Trade Organization (WTO) Ministerial Conference, which took place from November 9-13, 2001, in Doha, Qatar. After consultation with other government departments, IIR developed and submitted Alberta's priorities for the WTO through a ministerial submission. In addition, IIR participated directly in the Canadian Delegation to the Ministerial Conference, advancing and pressing Alberta's interest to federal Ministers and negotiators. The Ministry continues to coordinate Alberta's input into the Canadian negotiating position for the "Doha Development Agenda" – the new round of international trade negotiations announced at the Doha Ministerial Conference.

Continental Energy Market

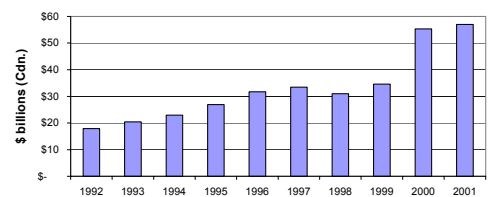
Taking advantage of the new U.S. Administration's interest in a North American energy market, IIR developed and delivered specific proposals to the U.S. Secretary of Energy and Canadian governments for improved operation of energy markets by removing remaining trade and investment barriers and promoting full national treatment in the continental energy relationship.

Given the critical importance of the energy industry in Alberta, IIR along with Alberta Energy, pursued and continued to press for full provincial participation with the federal government in the bilateral (Canada-U.S. and Canada-Mexico) and trilateral (Canada-U.S.-Mexico) discussions on the continental energy relationship that were initiated this year.

Bilateral and Regional Trade Agreements

International and Intergovernmental Relations staff developed and submitted Alberta-specific priorities for Canadian-led bilateral free-trade negotiations with Costa Rica, Singapore and a group of four Central American countries (Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, El Salvador), as well as for regional negotiations related to the *Canada-Israel Free Trade Agreement*. The Ministry consulted with other provincial ministries on Alberta's priorities in possible free trade negotiations with the countries of the Caribbean Common Market and the European Union. International and Intergovernmental Relations staff negotiating positions in the Canada-European Union wine negotiations.

**Alberta's International Exports
1992-2001**



Source: Statistics Canada (Trade Data On-line), July 2002.

In order to ensure full respect for provincial jurisdiction in labour matters, IIR staff worked with Alberta Human Resources and Employment staff to develop provincial approaches to international labour agreements and negotiations, in particular, labour “side agreements” to international trade and investment agreements.

Trade Disputes

International and Intergovernmental Relations staff defended, in cooperation with Agriculture, Food and Rural Development staff, Alberta’s system for contracted export milk in WTO dispute resolution proceedings launched by the U.S. and New Zealand against Canada.

In cooperation with the Alberta Gaming and Liquor Commission, IIR staff also successfully defended Alberta liquor board practices in consultations requested by the European Union. Staff identified how Alberta’s privatized system of liquor sales is in compliance with obligations contained in the *1989 Canada-European Community Agreement on Provincial Liquor Board Practices*.

Consultations

International and Intergovernmental Relations staff consulted extensively with provincial industry representatives on approaches to the softwood lumber case and on negotiations on trade in energy services in the WTO General Agreement on Trade in Services negotiations. Ongoing dialogue with industry contributed significantly to thorough Alberta positions.

Trade Studies

The Ministry supported the development of studies on the impact of trade liberalization and international trade and investment, including:

- *Economic Integration: Free Trade Areas vs. Customs Unions;*
- *The Alberta and Western Canada Export Experience Under the Free Trade Agreement: 1988-2000;*
- *An Examination of Alberta’s Exports of Manufactured Products: 1995 to 2000; and,*
- *Alberta Tariff Reduction and Elimination Priorities, 2001.*

WHERE TO FIND IT: Copies of the first two studies are available on the Ministry’s web site at:
http://www.iir.gov.ab.ca/trade/pages/inter_trade/pub_speeches.htm

The last two reports are available on the Western Centre for Economic Research’s web site at:
<http://www.bus.ualberta.ca/CIBS-WCER/WCER/wcer.htm> .

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1.3 Key Results: Expanded Canadian internal trade liberalization which promotes the free flow of goods, services, capital and labour across Canada.

The Agreement on Internal Trade

International and Intergovernmental Relations staff maintained Alberta's leadership role in promoting freer inter-provincial trade primarily through Canada's Agreement on Internal Trade. As an extension of the Agreement, IIR staff began exploring other forms of trade liberalization as a means of expanding cross boundary trade on a regional or bilateral basis. International and Intergovernmental Relations staff continued to promote initiatives aimed at revitalizing the Agreement and explored areas that could possibly benefit from a new round of negotiations.

Disputes and Complaints

International and Intergovernmental Relations staff continued managing and monitoring the agreement within Alberta in order to anticipate and prevent any disputes being launched against the government. There were no formal disputes launched against Alberta in the 2001-2002 fiscal year. As well, to ensure Albertans and Alberta businesses have access to business opportunities and employment in other parts of Canada, IIR staff monitored practices, policies and actions of provincial territorial and the federal governments. During the reporting period, IIR staff worked with Alberta Agriculture, Food and Rural Development in resolving an Albertan's complaint against Ontario regarding legislation in that province that unfairly barred the sale of selected food products in Ontario. There is a commitment by Ontario to repeal its legislation.

Stakeholder Consultations

International and Intergovernmental Relations staff facilitated Alberta's participation in the May 2001, National Conference on the Agreement on Internal Trade held in Toronto. The Conference's theme "*Strengthening Canada: Challenges for Internal Trade and Mobility*", stemmed from a broader series of regional public consultations in which Alberta stakeholders played a significant role.

Ministers responsible for internal trade will be considering recommendations in a report on the consultations project at their 2002 meeting.

International and Intergovernmental Relations staff also communicated with over 600 municipalities, academic institutions, school boards and regional health authorities (the MASH sector) and over 50 professional regulatory bodies with respect to the *Procurement and Labour Mobility Chapters* of the *Agreement on Internal Trade*. This served to acquaint newly elected officials with Alberta's obligations under the Agreement and to remind professional bodies of the Agreement's mobility provisions that came into effect on July 1, 2001.

Committee on Internal Trade

Minister Jonson, along with the federal Industry Minister, Allan Rock, continued as co-chair of the Committee on Internal Trade. The Committee, comprised of cabinet-level representatives from provinces, territories, and the federal government, was established under the Agreement on Internal Trade to oversee the negotiation and implementation of the Agreement. Minister Jonson established a lead role in facilitating the completion of all outstanding obligations by jurisdictions to the Agreement. This resulted in a concerted effort by some jurisdictions to fulfill their obligations and a renewed commitment to finding ways to improve and expand free trade in Canada. As part of the Ministry's internal review, IIR staff collaborated with Alberta Environment to remove a "sanctioned non-conforming measure" during a regulatory review. As a result, Alberta's practices related to beverage container recycling were brought into compliance under the Agreement.

Internal Trade Representatives

As Co-Chair of the officials group of Internal Trade Representatives and Management Board of the Internal Trade Secretariat, IIR staff played a lead role in the development of the 2002-2003 Operating Plan for the Internal Trade Secretariat including the establishment of performance targets aimed at improving the administrative processes under the agreement. International and Intergovernmental Relations staff were also instrumental in developing key proposals with a view of reaching an agreement on Crown Procurement coverage and energy provisions.

Labour Mobility

Using the Agreement as a basis, IIR staff carried out an advocacy initiative that will lead to significant changes to the federal Public Service Commission's hiring practices. These practices unfairly discriminate against applicants residing outside the immediate area where the position was located. An estimated 80% of federal government positions in the Ottawa area that, previously, were not open to Albertans, now will be under these amended practices.

The Ministry was pleased to report that as of July 1, 2001, 46 of 51 Alberta professional bodies had developed Mutual Recognition Agreements with their provincial/territorial counterparts to facilitate the interprovincial movement of qualified workers. With respect to regulated trades, journeyman who have not achieved certification under a national certification program such as the Red Seal certification now have the option to undergo a comprehensive assessment of their skills against Alberta's standards.

Investment Incentives

As a result of on-going negotiations, consensus was achieved with other Canadian jurisdictions on proposals to clarify, strengthen and improve the Agreement's Code of Conduct on Investment Incentives. If approved by Ministers in 2002, the Code will discipline Canadian governments' use of incentives that create marketplace inequities and place Alberta companies at a disadvantage.

Goal 2: To secure benefits for Alberta as an equal partner in a revitalized, united Canada.

2.1 Key Results: Effective participation by Alberta in the federation

The Ministry has helped achieve Alberta's effective participation in the Canadian federation through:

- Developing security responses in the post September 11 climate which have become models for other provinces and territories.
- Preparing and coordinating Alberta positions at the Premiers' conferences.
- Leading provincial work on the process which resulted in the adoption of a dispute resolution mechanism for the *Canada Health Act*.

- Assisting in the negotiation or finalization of intergovernmental agreements.
- Work surrounding the Social Union Framework Agreement, including the agreement's Third Year Review.

Premiers' Conferences

Alberta participated in the 2001 Western Premiers' Conference held in Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan from May 30 to June 1, and in the 2001 Annual Premiers' Conference held August 1 to 3 in Victoria, British Columbia. Alberta's main priorities were:

- The importance of including provinces in continental energy discussions;
- The importance of a national sex offender registry; and
- The need for a mechanism to help resolve federal-provincial disputes under the *Canada Health Act*.

Alberta's objectives for the conferences were achieved, as Premiers stressed that provinces must be involved in international discussions on provincial resources; agreed to coordinate child protection measures by establishing a Children's Protection Agenda and calling on the federal government to establish a national sex offender registry; and reaffirmed their support for the development of a dispute settlement mechanism under the *Canada Health Act*.

International and Intergovernmental Relations staff worked closely with other Ministries in preparing for these conferences and providing briefing information for the Premier.

January 2002 Conference on Health

Premiers held a special meeting in January 2002 in Vancouver to discuss health care. The meeting was held in order to better focus on health care and flowed from a commitment made at the 2001 Annual Premiers' Conference. The Ministry played a key role in preparing the Premier for this extraordinary, mid-term meeting of Premiers.

Ministry staff helped ensure this success by negotiating the conference agenda, developing the strategic approach to the conference, developing appropriate briefings with Alberta Health and Wellness, and supporting the Premier at the conference.

Alberta's goals were achieved as Premiers agreed at the meeting that health care systems "are at a turning point; that they must be renewed to meet today's needs and must rest on a solid foundation".

WHERE TO FIND IT: The communiqués from this meeting are available via a link on the Ministry's web site at:

Provinces Pave the Way for the Future of Health Care (January 25, 2002)
http://www.scics.gc.ca/cinfo02/850085004_e.html

Genetics and Preparing for Change (January 25, 2002)
http://www.scics.gc.ca/cinfo02/850085005_e.html

Premiers agreed on collaborative initiatives in the areas of pharmaceutical management, human resource planning and home and long term care. Agreement was also reached on the importance of the federal government addressing the financial pressures within the health care systems and addressing the need for a workable dispute resolution mechanism for the *Canada Health Act*.

The communiqués from this meeting are available via a link on the Ministry's web site at:

Provinces Pave the Way for the Future of Health Care (January 25, 2002) http://www.scics.gc.ca/cinfo02/850085004_e.html

Genetics and Preparing for Change (January 25, 2002) http://www.scics.gc.ca/cinfo02/850085005_e.html

Implementation of 2000 First Ministers' Meeting Communiqué

The Ministry worked with Health and Wellness and Children's Services to implement the key components agreed to by First Ministers in September 2000.

Intergovernmental Agreements

International and Intergovernmental Relations staff has assisted departments in negotiating or finalizing a broad range of intergovernmental agreements, typically 100 each year.

In addition to providing technical and strategic expertise, IIR established a working group of officials to review the increasing use of accountability frameworks in federal-provincial agreements and understandings, and develop a set of accountability guidelines to assist departments in negotiating new agreements. Draft versions of the guidelines have already provided direction in negotiations in some bilateral agreements.

2.2 Key Results: A Canadian federal system that better serves Albertan's needs

The Ministry has helped Alberta's effective participation in the Canadian federation by:

- Working with Alberta departments to develop Alberta approaches to proposed federal legislation for a review of the *Canadian Transportation Act*, *Species at Risk Act* and amendments to the *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act*.

Working with Alberta departments to advance Alberta policies and positions in respect to the role of municipalities, national

FACT: The agreement reached by First Ministers in September 2000 provided **\$29 million** in additional funding in 2000-2001 for Early Childhood Development and an additional **\$275 million** for health, post-secondary education, and social assistance through the Canada Health and Social Transfer.

parks, the development of an Agricultural Policy Framework Agreement, the expansion of the federal fisheries presence in Alberta, global warming and approvals for new power generation within Alberta.

Dispute Resolution

Alberta led provinces in pushing for a dispute resolution mechanism for the *Canada Health Act*. The Ministry ensured that the issue was on the agenda for recent Premiers' conferences, and provided briefing and strategic advice to the Premier. Ministry staff also worked with Health and Wellness to develop the provincial position on the issue, and participated in negotiations with the federal government aimed at developing a dispute resolution mechanism. The negotiating position for provinces in 2001 negotiations was based a proposal jointly drafted by Alberta, which was unanimously endorsed by Premiers and released publicly at the 2000 Annual Premiers' Conference.

Social Union Framework Agreement

Alberta has been a strong participant in the processes of the third year review of the Social Union Framework Agreement. Providing leadership on a variety of sub-committees, IIR has ensured that Alberta's positions are reflected in the design, content, and orientation of both the public and government components of the review.

Alberta was instrumental in encouraging Premiers to strategically link federal movement on a dispute resolution mechanism for the *Canada Health Act* with ongoing Provincial participation in the Social Union Framework Agreement. This stance proved essential in achieving an appropriate dispute resolution agreement.

Federal Legislation

Ministry staff continued to work with other Ministries in respect to legislation for amendments to the *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act* and *Species at Risk Act* before the federal House of Commons. During the course of the fiscal year, neither piece of legislation was fully considered by the House of Commons.

International and Intergovernmental Relations staff continued participation in an Interdepartmental Steering Committee (chaired by Alberta Transportation), which coordinated and developed Alberta positions for the federal panel review of the *Canadian Transportation Act*.

Municipalities

In May, the Prime Minister announced a Caucus Task Force on Urban Issues. International and Intergovernmental Relations staff provided advice to Alberta Municipal Affairs in relationship to their interactions with the Task force and jurisdictional issues being considered by the Task force.

Agricultural Policy Framework Agreement

At their annual meeting in July, federal and provincial agriculture Ministers agreed in principle to an action plan to develop a comprehensive Agriculture Policy Framework that would help position the agriculture for the future, ensuring its long-term viability and sustainability. International and Intergovernmental Relations staff worked in conjunction with Alberta Agriculture Food and Rural Development and other Alberta ministries in developing the broad parameters of a framework agreement.

Expansion of Department of Fisheries and Oceans

Ministry staff continued to work with Sustainable Resource Development to develop understandings with the federal Department of Fisheries and Oceans (DFO) on the deployment of the increased staffing of DFO in Alberta in a manner that is coordinated, enhances cooperation and minimizes overlap and duplication for Albertans.

Climate Change

International and Intergovernmental Relations staff continued to work with Alberta Environment to develop strategies to position Alberta within the National Climate Change Process, promote Alberta objectives with the federal government for international discussions, Ministerial forums and meetings of Premiers.

In February, on behalf all Premiers, except Quebec, Premier Campbell wrote to the Prime Minister indicating that Canadian positions in respect to the Kyoto Protocol must be based upon a full understanding of the costs and benefits of implementing the Kyoto Protocol, take into consideration competitiveness issues arising from our largest trading partner, the United States not participating in Kyoto, and take into account nine principles agreed to by Premiers.

New Power Generation in Alberta

The Ministry participated with a number of ministries to enable the timely review of proposals for the expansion of two coal-fired electrical generations facilities in Alberta.

2.3 Key Results: Effective leadership that supports a united Canada.

IIR has helped provide effective leadership by:

- Supporting the work of the Ministerial Task Force on Security, including the development of a Crisis Management Plan; and
- Working with other ministries to ensure that Alberta has a consistent, strategic approach to federal-provincial relations, including the development of accountability guidelines.

Security

International and Intergovernmental Relations staff provided key support to the Alberta Ministerial Task Force on Security, which was created immediately following the terrorist attacks on the United States on September 11, 2001. The Task Force built on Alberta's emergency response and recovery plans to develop a counter-terrorism plan that is serving as a model for other Canadian governments. The Ministry facilitated the coordination of federal and provincial security initiatives as Canadian governments adapted to the new security environment. The ministry also helped to build improved communication links with key federal agencies to allow for the ongoing sharing of security intelligence related to potential terrorist threats to Alberta.

International and Intergovernmental Relations staff worked with other Alberta ministries to further enhance the security of the province. Staff participated in an Energy sub-committee that developed and recommended a Crisis Management Plan for the Alberta government, as well as the infrastructure impact assessment methodology that will serve as a template for all Alberta infrastructure sectors. The Ministry worked with Alberta Health and Wellness and other ministries to develop information for Alberta government employees and stakeholders on handling suspicious mail and anthrax. International and Intergovernmental Relations staff also worked with the Public Affairs Bureau and other key ministries to provide timely security information for Albertans.

Canadian Intergovernmental Relations Strategy

The Ministry worked with other Alberta ministries to ensure that Alberta pursues a consistent, strategic approach to federal-provincial relations, and that Alberta advances a common set of intergovernmental objectives.

Ministry staff along with other ministries reviewed Alberta's cross-government intergovernmental objectives towards the goal of developing a common framework for departments to use in assessing and developing their intergovernmental approaches. The Ministry also worked with other ministries to develop a set of accountability guidelines to assist departments in negotiating new intergovernmental agreements.

Western Canadian Leadership

International and Intergovernmental Relations staff provided support for the Canada West Foundation's "Building the New West" initiative. The goal of this multi-year research project is to identify the determinants of long-term regional economic prosperity and to use that research as the basis to recommend a policy framework that western Canadians and their governments can pursue.

Discussion of Results/Performance

(financial and non-financial)



Auditor's Report on Performance Measures

The official version of this Report of the Auditor General, and the information the Report covers, is in printed form.

REPORT OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL ON THE RESULTS OF APPLYING SPECIFIED AUDITING PROCEDURES TO PERFORMANCE MEASURES

To the Members of the Legislative Assembly:

I have performed the following procedures in connection with the Ministry of International and Intergovernmental Relations' performance measures included in the *2001-2002 Annual Report of the Ministry of International and Intergovernmental Relations* as presented on pages 31 to 35.

1. Information obtained from an independent source, such as Statistics Canada, was agreed with the information supplied by the stated source. Information provided internally was agreed to the reports from the systems used to develop the information.
2. The calculations which converted source information into reported measures were tested.
3. The appropriateness of the description of each measure's methodology was assessed.

As a result of applying the above procedures, I found no exceptions. However, these procedures do not constitute an audit, and therefore I express no opinion on the performance measures included in the *2001-2002 Annual Report of the Ministry of International and Intergovernmental Relations*.

[original signed]

Fred. J. Dunn, CA
Auditor General

Edmonton, Alberta
August 2, 2002

Performance Measures

In general, the Ministry's goals are focused on attainment of long-term objectives – building Alberta's linkages and relationships with other countries; improving Alberta's export performance; and ensuring that Alberta receives a fair share of federal-provincial funding for intergovernmental arrangements. In addition, our success frequently depends on many factors, such as the economy and relations between governments. Finally, results are often affected by other factors – both within the Alberta government (e.g. other ministries) and outside of the Alberta government (e.g. the private sector, other governments, etc.). As a result, it is often the case that the Ministry's goals are attained over the long term rather than over the short term and are often best measured in non-numerical ways.

Over the years, the chief measure used by the Ministry has been the narrative account of achievements and results outlined in this Annual Report of the ministry. This is a vital document in chronicling the year-to-year progress on goals which are frequently multi-year in their scope. The Ministry develops the detailed Annual Report each year, incorporating explanations of key meetings and agreements, along with a compendium of intergovernmental agreements finalized in the fiscal year. As such it represents an important record of the Ministry's achievements.

In compiling this Annual Report, staff reviewed Ministry initiatives and undertakings using criteria which included:

- links between the issues and the Ministry's Business Plan;
- perceived importance of the issue for the Premier, Minister, or government as a whole;
- public or stakeholder interest; and,
- investment of staff time.

A key element in the Ministry's success is the quality of the relationships it builds with clients (especially other Alberta departments) and partners (other governments and the private sector). To help advance Alberta's interests, these relationships must be developed and fostered over the long term. As a result, client feedback is a key instrument for assessing the quality and effectiveness of these relationships.

Another important measure of the ministry's success is the regular tracking by polling of the views of Albertans on the performance of their government in the area of intergovernmental relations.

In summary, the Ministry measures its performance in several ways, including:

- Narrative records of performance (Annual Report, mission reports);
- Client satisfaction surveys;
- Intermediate outcomes or progress reports on long term issues;
- Secondary indicators that track macroeconomic trends (e.g. trade statistics. While these are not direct measures of the Ministry's performance, they do indicate the environment in which the Ministry operates.); and,
- Polling by *Environics Canada* on the views of Albertans.

Description of Performance Measures

Narrative Record of IIR Performance and Results

Through narrative records, the ministry outlines intergovernmental outcomes and events with a view to assessing how they conformed to Alberta's objectives. The primary record is the Annual Report as noted above. Other records include communiqués from major intergovernmental meetings such as the 42nd Annual Premiers' Conference (August 2001), the Western Premiers' Conference (May 2001) and the special meeting of Premiers on Health Care (January 2002).

Communiqués are available on the Ministry's website at <http://www.iir.gov.ab.ca/cir/pages/conferences.htm>. In addition, reports on missions such as the Premier's missions to Eastern Canada and the U.S. (June 2001), to Los Angeles (July 2001), and Asia, Russia and Germany (February 2002) are available as narrative records. To view a copy of these mission reports, go to the Ministry's web site at http://www.iir.gov.ab.ca/inter_rel/pages/premiers_missions.htm

Client Satisfaction Surveys

Through regular surveys, the Ministry consults with clients on its contribution to advancing Alberta's priorities and positions. These surveys have, in the past, consisted of a mix of written questionnaires (for most clients), focus groups (for frequent users) and in-person interviews (for senior-level clients). Given the scope of the survey, and the demands it places on respondents, surveys are conducted every two years – in 1995, 1997, 1999 and 2001.

The 2001 survey consisted of a written questionnaire which was sent by an independent consultant to some 400 clients of the Ministry, both within the Alberta government and outside the Alberta government (e.g. private sector.). The survey indicated that clients consistently rate IIR high on satisfaction with services provided. The target level of 4 out of 5 was met or exceeded in most service areas.

To ensure useful and credible survey feedback, IIR follows these principles:

- Surveys are conducted by a third party, with anonymity guaranteed.
- Selection of surveyed clients is inclusive (i.e. known critics are included).

WHERE TO FIND IT:

Communiqués from intergovernmental conferences are available on the Ministry's website at <http://www.iir.gov.ab.ca/cir/pages/conferences.htm>.

In addition, reports on the Premier's missions to Eastern Canada and the U.S. (June 2001), Los Angeles (July 2001) and Asia, Russia and Germany (February 2002) are also available on the Ministry's web site at http://www.iir.gov.ab.ca/inter_rel/pages/premiers_missions.htm

- Questions are probing and related to IIR goals and strategies.
- Survey results are used internally to improve business practices.

The Ministry has found the biennial Client Surveys to be useful tools in evaluating the satisfaction of key clients, both within the Alberta government and outside of the Alberta government. While very positive results are evident throughout each of the four surveys completed to date, there are minor variations which generate internal review. Staff make use of the information and feedback to consider their interaction with clients for the future.

Specific details of the 2001 survey can be found in the Ministry's Annual Report for 2000-2001.

Intermediate Outcomes or Progress Reports

The Ministry also measures outcomes through status reports on major projects, such as the regular Progress Report to Premiers (e.g. Report #6, August 2001). This report is drafted by officials from the provincial and territorial governments and is approved by the Provincial/Territorial Ministerial Council on Social Policy Renewal (e.g. Report #6, August 2001). Status reports are also used to provide an intermediate outcome measure on the implementation of the Agreement on Internal Trade and the progress of complaints and disputes under that agreement. This information is found on the Ministry's web site at:
http://www.iir.gov.ab.ca/trade/pages/dispute_resolution.htm .

WHERE TO FIND IT: A copy of the Progress Report to Premiers is available on the Internet at:
http://www.scics.gc.ca/pdf/850083004_e.pdf

Status reports and progress of complaints and disputes under the Agreement on Internal Trade is found on the Ministry's web site at:
http://www.iir.gov.ab.ca/trade/pages/dispute_resolution.htm .

Regular progress reports allow governments and taxpayers to keep track of complex, long-term issues.

Secondary Indicators

International and Intergovernmental Relations (IIR) makes use of trade statistics as secondary indicators that serve to track macro-economic trends. While not a direct measure of IIR's performance, these measures indicate the environment which IIR works to achieve its goals. Trade statistics that indicate the province's export performance are the result of many factors. Exports may increase because of fluctuations in world commodity prices or the Canadian dollar. In other cases, Alberta's trade performance is reflective of the aggressiveness of the Alberta private sector's activities in opening up new markets.

Or growth may be attributed to successes in removing trade barriers in key markets or in resolving trade disputes that deter exports. Information on trade statistics can be found on the Ministry's web site at:
http://www.iir.gov.ab.ca/trade/pages/inter_trade/statistics.htm

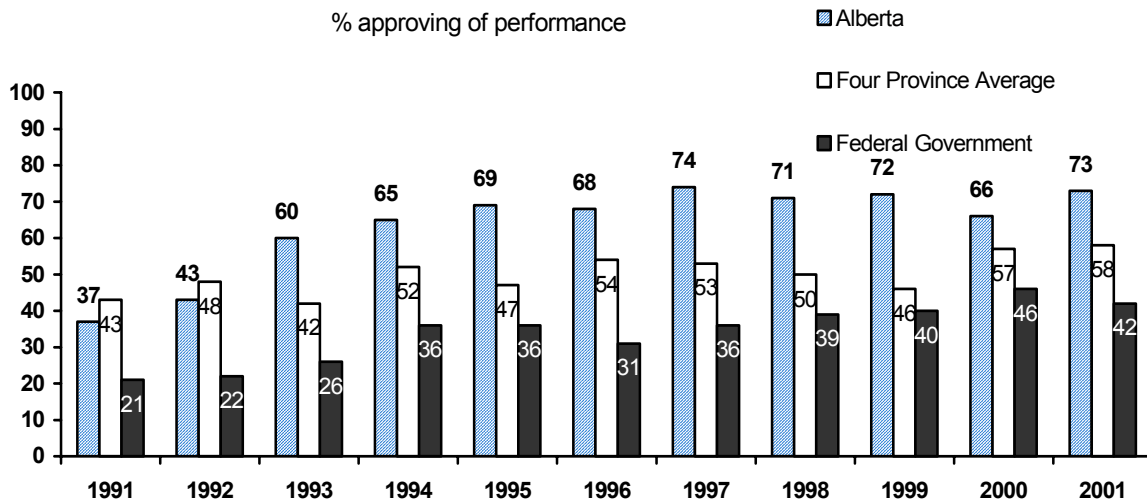
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Public Polling

An important measure of Alberta government performance in intergovernmental relations is public polling data on the satisfaction level of Albertans in this area. This data does not relate directly to the performance of the ministry, but tracks the performance of the government. Polling data is based on a national opinion poll conducted four times a year by Environics Canada, surveying provincial and federal government performance, as reported in the Focus Canada Report. Respondents are specifically asked to rate their approval or disapproval of the way their government (both provincial and federal) is handling federal-provincial relations. The average of the four surveys each year shows the percentage of citizens approving of their respective governments' performance.

Alberta's target is to maintain the government's public approval rating in federal-provincial relations on a par with the average of British Columbia, Saskatchewan, Manitoba and Ontario. These four provinces are used as a benchmark because they are closest to Alberta in terms of geography, history, demographics and political concerns. Alberta's approval rating in 2001 for federal-provincial relations was 73 per cent. The four-province average was 58 per cent and the federal government rating was 42 per cent. The following graph shows approval ratings of government performance in intergovernmental relations:

Approval Ratings -- Intergovernmental Relations:



Source: Focus Canada, 2001-2002 Quarterly Reports.

Survey Methodology:

For the “Focus Canada Report”, Environics completes telephone interviews of 2,000 Canadians. A total of 220 interviews were conducted in Alberta and 707 in western Canada. The margin of error nationally is plus or minus 2.2%, 19 times out of 20. The margin of error rises as the sample sizes fall (for Alberta it is 6.6%, for the west as a whole it is 3.7%). Sample selection was through random draw from telephone directories (a modified “Waksburg Mitofsky” sample selection technique). The population is stratified into ten regions (one of which is Alberta); four community sizes (those over 1 million would be the largest; the smallest being those under 5,000); and employs gender, age and “working women” quotas. Additional details on methodology are available from the Ministry.

Government-wide Measures

The polling data described above is the key measure for Goal 19 of the Government of Alberta’s Business Plan:

“Alberta will work with other governments and maintain its strong position in Canada.”

The Ministry also helped realize the following government-wide goals:

- Goal 2:** Our children will be well cared for, safe, successful at learning and healthy. (IIR outcomes 2.2)
- Goal 7:** Alberta will have a prosperous economy. (IIR outcomes 1.1, 1.2 and 2.4)
- Goal 8:** Our workforce will be skilled and productive. (IIR outcomes 1.2 and 2.4)
- Goal 10:** Alberta’s value-added industries will lead economic growth. (IIR outcomes 1.1, 1.2 and 2.4)
- Goal 14:** Alberta business will increase exports. (IIR outcomes 1.1, 1.2 and 2.4)

Financial Results

The Ministry's financial performance was within budget targets and no significant variances arose in comparison to budget for the current year, except for the lapse of \$178,000.

Funds totalling \$151,000 were lapsed during the year in response to a request from the Minister of Finance and Chair, Treasury Board of all ministries to reduce spending by 1% of base budget and additional discretionary amounts to ensure government continued to balance its budget under the *Fiscal Responsibility Act*. The Ministry reduced spending in travel, training and development, intern program, and contracts. However, no adverse impact to the Ministry's three program policy areas resulted. In addition, \$27,000 were lapsed at year end, bringing the total lapsed to \$178,000.

In addition, the Ministry faced additional budgetary pressures as a result of the salary increases. The Ministry responded by re-establishing priorities in each of the three program policy areas and reducing discretionary spending.

International and Intergovernmental Relations has one Core Business; Intergovernmental Relations. The key services provided by the department are:

- Advancing Alberta's interests through intergovernmental negotiations and discussions.
- Coordinating Alberta's strategies relating to international and intergovernmental relations.
- Providing strategic advice and policy analysis to Alberta ministries and other clients.
- Obtaining, disseminating and analyzing information for Alberta ministries and other clients.

EXPENSE BY CORE BUSINESS

(thousands of dollars)

	Comparable 2000-01 Actual	Comparable 2001-02 Budget	Comparable 2001-02 Actual	2002-03 Estimates	2003-04 Target	2004-05 Target
EXPENSE						
Core Business						
Intergovernmental Relations	6,148	6,104	5,938	6,084	6,125	6,125
MINISTRY EXPENSE	6,148	6,104	5,938	6,084	6,125	6,125

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Auditor's Report

The official version of this Report of the Auditor General, and the information the Report covers, is in printed form.



To the Members of the Legislative Assembly:

I have audited the statement of financial position of the Ministry of International and Intergovernmental Relations as at March 31, 2002 and the statements of operations and changes in financial position for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the management of the Ministry. My responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on my audit.

I conducted my audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that I plan and perform an audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation.

The Ministry is required to follow the corporate government accounting policies and reporting practices established by Alberta Finance, including the following policy that is an exception from Canadian generally accepted accounting principles. Capital assets costing less than \$15,000 have been expensed in the year acquired and have not been recognized as assets in the accompanying statement of financial position. Consequently, the annual amortization of these assets has not been recognized in the statement of operations. In my opinion, an amount of approximately \$319,000, representing the net book value of these assets as at March 31, 2002, should be recognized in these financial statements. The effect of this understatement of assets is to understate expenses by approximately \$52,000 for the year ended March 31, 2002.

In my opinion, except for the effects of the matter discussed in the preceding paragraph, these financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Ministry as at March 31, 2002 and the results of its operations and the changes in its financial position for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles.

[original signed]

Fred. J. Dunn, CA
Auditor General

Edmonton, Alberta
May 23, 2002

Financial Statements

MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

Statement of Operations

For the year ended March 31, 2002

	(in thousands)		
	2002 Budget	2002 Actual	2001 Actual
Revenues			
Other Revenue	\$ -	\$ 21	\$ 25
	<u>-</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>25</u>
Expenses - Directly Incurred Voted (Schedules 1 and 2)			
International and Intergovernmental Relations	6,104	5,926	6,170
	<u>6,104</u>	<u>5,926</u>	<u>6,170</u>
Statutory (Schedules 1 and 2)			
Valuation Adjustments			
Provision for Vacation Pay	-	12	(22)
	<u>-</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>(22)</u>
	6,104	5,938	6,148
Net Operating Results	<u>\$ (6,104)</u>	<u>\$ (5,917)</u>	<u>\$ (6,123)</u>

The accompanying notes and schedules are part of these financial statements.

**MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL
RELATIONS**

Statement of Financial Position

As at March 31, 2002

	(in thousands)	
	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>
ASSETS		
Cash	\$ -	\$ -
Accounts Receivable	10	49
Advances	11	19
	<u>\$ 21</u>	<u>\$ 68</u>
LIABILITIES		
Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities (Note 4)	\$ 694	\$ 837
NET LIABILITIES		
Net Liabilities at Beginning of Year	(769)	(888)
Net Operating Results	(5,917)	(6,123)
Net Transfer from General Revenues	<u>6,013</u>	<u>6,242</u>
Net Liabilities at End of Year	<u>(673)</u>	<u>(769)</u>
	<u>\$ 21</u>	<u>\$ 68</u>

The accompanying notes and schedules are part of these financial statements.

**MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL
RELATIONS**

Statement of Changes in Financial Position

For the year ended March 31, 2002

	(in thousands)	
	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>
Operating Transactions:		
Net operating results	\$ (5,917)	\$ (6,123)
Non-cash items		
Valuation adjustments	12	(22)
	<u>(5,905)</u>	<u>(6,145)</u>
Decrease (Increase) in Accounts Receivable	39	(7)
Decrease (Increase) in Advances	8	(1)
(Decrease) in Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities	(155)	(90)
Cash Used by Operating Transactions	<u>(6,013)</u>	<u>(6,243)</u>
Financing Transactions:		
Net Transfer from General Revenues	<u>6,013</u>	<u>6,242</u>
Net Cash Provided (Used)	-	(1)
Cash at Beginning of Year	<u>-</u>	<u>1</u>
Cash at End of Year	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

The accompanying notes and schedules are part of these financial statements.

MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended March 31, 2002

NOTE 1 AUTHORITY AND PURPOSE

The Minister of International and Intergovernmental Relations operates under the authority of the *Government Organization Act, Chapter G-10, Revised Statutes of Alberta 2000*.

The purpose of the Ministry of International and Intergovernmental Relations is to lead in the development of government-wide strategies and policies for Alberta's relations with international governments and organizations; and federal, provincial and territorial governments in Canada.

NOTE 2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND REPORTING PRACTICES

These financial statements are prepared in accordance with the following accounting policies that have been established by the government for all ministries. The recommendations of the Public Sector Accounting Board of the Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants are the primary source for the disclosed basis of accounting. Recommendations of the Accounting Standards Board of the Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants, other authoritative pronouncements, accounting literature, and published financial statements relating to either the public sector or analogous situations in the private sector are used to supplement the recommendations of the Public Sector Accounting Board where it is considered appropriate.

(a) Reporting Entity

The reporting entity is the Ministry of International and Intergovernmental Relations for which the Minister of International and Intergovernmental Relations is accountable.

All departments of the Government of Alberta operate within the General Revenue Fund (the Fund). The Fund is administered by the Minister of Finance. All cash receipts of departments are deposited into the Fund and all cash disbursements made by departments are paid from the Fund. Net transfer to/from General Revenues is the difference between all cash receipts and all cash disbursements made.

(b) Basis of Financial Reporting

Revenues

All revenues are reported using the accrual method of accounting.

Expenses

Directly Incurred

Directly incurred expenses are those costs the Ministry has primary responsibility and accountability for, as reflected in the Government's budget documents.

Directly incurred expenses include:

- pension costs which comprise the cost of employer contributions for current service of employees during the year.
- valuation adjustments which represent the change in management's estimate of future payments arising from obligations relating to vacation pay.

Incurred by Others

Services contributed by other entities in support of the Ministry operations are disclosed in Schedule 5.

Assets

Financial assets of the Ministry are limited to financial claims, such as advances to and receivables from other organizations, employees and other individuals.

The fair values of the financial assets are estimated to approximate their book values. Fair value is the amount of consideration agreed upon in an arm's length transaction between knowledgeable, willing parties who are under no compulsion to act.

Accounts receivable are non-interest bearing and unsecured.

Advances represent amounts provided to Ministry employees for travel expenses and are non-interest bearing and recoverable on demand.

The threshold for capitalizing new systems development is \$100,000 and the threshold for all other capital assets is \$15,000. The Ministry has no capital assets exceeding these thresholds.

Liabilities

Liabilities represent all financial claims payable by the Ministry at fiscal year end. The fair value of accounts payable and accrued liabilities is estimated to approximate their book value.

Net Liabilities

Net liabilities represents the difference between the value of assets held by the Ministry and its liabilities.

NOTE 3 GOVERNMENT RESTRUCTURING

On March 15, 2001 the government announced new ministry structures. As a result, responsibility for Metis Settlements Legislation, Metis Settlements Governance, Aboriginal Relations and the Office of the Associate Minister were transferred to the newly established Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development.

Comparatives for 2001 have been restated as if the Ministry had always been assigned its current responsibilities.

	(in thousands)
Net liabilities, as previously reported at March 31, 2000	\$ 6,680
Transfer to the Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development	(5,792)
Net liabilities as restated at March 31, 2000	<u>\$ 888</u>

NOTE 4 ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND ACCRUED LIABILITIES

	(in thousands)	
	2002	2001
Accounts Payable	\$ 115	\$ 268
Accrued Liabilities:		
Manpower	116	33
Supplies and Services	62	74
Vacation Pay	401	389
Other	-	73
	<u>\$ 694</u>	<u>\$ 837</u>

NOTE 5 COMMITMENTS

(in thousands)

As at March 31, 2002, the Ministry had service contract commitments of \$422 (2001 - \$106).

NOTE 6 DEFINED BENEFIT PLANS

(in thousands)

The Ministry participates in the multi-employer pension plans, Management Employees Pension Plan and Public Service Pension Plan. The Ministry also participates in the multi-employer Supplementary Retirement Plan for Public Service Managers. The expense for these pension plans is equivalent to the annual contributions of \$248 (2001 - \$262) for the year ending March 31, 2002.

At December 31, 2001, the Management Employees Pension Plan reported a surplus of \$5,338 (2000 - \$170,858) and the Public Service Pension Plan reported a surplus of \$320,487 (2000 - \$635,084). At December 31, 2001, the Supplementary Retirement Plan for Public Service Managers had a deficiency of \$399 (2000 - surplus of \$180).

The Ministry also participates in two multi-employer Long Term Disability Income Continuance Plans. As March 31, 2002, the Bargaining Unit Plan reported an actuarial deficiency of \$8,646 (2001 - \$12,710) and the Management, Opted Out and Excluded Plan an actuarial deficiency of \$2,656 (2001 - \$4,583). The expense for these two plans is limited to employer's annual contributions for the year.

NOTE 7 COMPARATIVE FIGURES

Certain 2001 figures have been reclassified to conform to the 2002 presentation.

NOTE 8 APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

These financial statements were approved by the Senior Financial Officer and the Deputy Minister.

Schedules to the Financial Statements

MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

Schedule 1

Expenses - Directly Incurred Detailed by Object

For the year ended March 31, 2002

	(in thousands)		
	2002 Budget	2002 Actual	2001 Actual
Voted:			
Salaries, Wages and Employee Benefits	\$ 3,714	\$ 3,903	\$ 3,601
Supplies and Services	2,327	1,907	2,384
Supplies and Services from Support Service Arrangements with Related Parties (a)	-	40	122
Grants	-	5	6
Financial Transactions and Other	63	71	57
Total Voted Expenses before Recoveries	<u>6,104</u>	<u>5,926</u>	<u>6,170</u>
Less: Recovery from Support Service Arrangements with Related Parties (b)	-	(115)	-
	<u>\$ 6,104</u>	<u>\$ 5,811</u>	<u>\$ 6,170</u>
Statutory:			
Valuation Adjustments			
Provision for Vacation Pay	-	12	(22)
	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 12</u>	<u>\$ (22)</u>

(a) The Ministry receives financial, payroll, human resource, and administrative services from the Department of Learning.

(b) The Ministry provides financial, information technology and administrative services to the Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development.

Schedule 2

Comparison of Expenses by Element to Authorized Budget

For the year ended March 31, 2002

		2001-02				
		(in thousands)				
	Estimates	Authorized Supplementary	Authorized Budget	Actual Expense (a)	Unexpended (Over Expended)	
Voted Expenses:						
International and Intergovernmental Relations						
1.0.1 Minister's Office	\$ 300	\$ -	\$ 300	\$ 276	\$ 24	
1.0.3 Corporate Services	1,594	-	1,594	1,621	(27)	
1.0.4 International Relations	1,775	-	1,775	1,720	55	
1.0.5 Trade Policy	923	-	923	955	(32)	
1.0.6 Canadian Intergovernmental Relations	1,512	-	1,512	1,354	158	
	<u>6,104</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,104</u>	<u>5,926</u>	<u>178</u>	
Statutory Expenses:						
Valuation Adjustments						
Provision for Vacation Pay	-	-	-	12	(12)	
	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 12</u>	<u>\$ (12)</u>	

(a) Includes achievement bonus amounting to \$111.

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Schedule 3

Salary and Benefits Disclosure

For the year ended March 31, 2002

	2002			2001
	Salary ⁽¹⁾	Benefits and Allowances ⁽²⁾	Total	Total
Deputy Minister ⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾	\$ 157,576	\$ 60,533	\$ 218,109	\$ 202,677
Executives				
Assistant Deputy Minister - International Relations ⁽⁴⁾	114,950	40,724	155,674	149,824
Assistant Deputy Minister - Canadian Intergovernmental Relations ⁽⁴⁾	116,492	29,902	146,394	129,489
Executive Director - Trade Policy	106,485	22,814	129,299	124,738
Director - Corporate Services ⁽⁴⁾⁽⁵⁾⁽⁶⁾	70,476	14,479	84,955	16,665

Total salary and benefits relating to a position are disclosed.

- (1) Salary includes regular base pay, bonuses, overtime and lump sum payments.
- (2) Benefits and allowances include the government's share of all employee benefits and contributions or payments made on behalf of employees including pension, health care, dental coverage, group life insurance, short and long-term disability plans, WCB premiums, professional memberships and tuition fees.
- (3) Automobile provided, no dollar amount included in benefits and allowance figures.
- (4) Benefits and allowances include vacation payments to the Deputy Minister \$5,439 (2001 - \$5,184); the Assistant Deputy Minister, International Relations \$12,690 (2001 - \$10,071); the Assistant Deputy Minister - Canadian Intergovernmental Relations \$2,083 (2001 - \$3,606); and Director, Corporate Services \$3,017 (\$2001 - \$0).

The benefits and allowances for the Deputy Minister also include a one-time pension arrears payment of \$13,820 into the Registered Compensation Arrangement for the period July 1, 1999 to August 31, 2001.

- (5) Position vacant from June 1, 2000 to June 4, 2001 and was covered off by a contract resource not included in the figure for 2001.
- (6) The incumbent's services are shared with the Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development which contributes its own share of the cost of salary and benefits. Full salary and benefits are disclosed in this schedule.

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Schedule 4

Related Party Transactions

For the Year Ended March 31, 2002

Related parties are those entities consolidated or accounted for on a modified equity basis in the Province of Alberta's financial statements. Related parties also include management in the Ministry.

The Ministry and its employees paid or collected certain taxes and fees set by regulation for permits, licenses and other charges. These amounts were incurred in the normal course of business, reflect charges applicable to all users, and have been excluded from this Schedule.

The Ministry had the following transactions with related parties recorded on the Statement of Operations at the amount of consideration agreed upon between the related parties.

	(in thousands)	
	2002	2001
Expenses - Directly Incurred		
Supplies and services provided by other ministries	\$ 433	\$ 74

The above transactions do not include support service arrangement transactions disclosed in Schedule 1.

The Ministry also had the following transactions with related parties for which no consideration was exchanged. The amounts for these related party transactions are estimated based on costs incurred by the service provider to provide the service. These amounts are not recorded in the financial statements and are disclosed in Schedule 5.

	(in thousands)	
	2002	2001
Expenses - Incurred by Others		
Accommodation	\$ 755	\$ 1,055
Legal Services	25	7
	<u>\$ 780</u>	<u>\$ 1,062</u>

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Allocated Costs

Schedule 5

For the year ended March 31, 2002

	(in thousands)	
	2002	2001
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
International and Intergovernmental Relations Expenses Directly Incurred ⁽¹⁾	\$ 5,926	\$ 6,170
Expenses Incurred by Others		
Accommodation Costs	761	1,055
Legal Costs	<u>25</u>	<u>7</u>
	6,712	7,232
Valuation Adjustments		
Vacation Pay	12	(22)
Total Expenses	<u>\$ 6,724</u>	<u>\$ 7,210</u>

(1) Expenses - Directly Incurred as per Statement of Operations, excluding valuation adjustments.

Other Information

Intergovernmental and International Agreements

Effective Date	Title/Parties	Ministry Responsible
04-01-2001	Alberta – South Korea Driver License Reciprocity	Transportation
04-01-2001	Alcohol and Drug Treatment and Rehabilitation Contribution Agreement	Health and Wellness
04-01-2001	Agreement for the Provision of Foreign Affairs Office Space in Heilongjiang	Economic Development
04-01-2001	Canada – Alberta General Agreements on the Promotion of Official Languages	Community Development
04-01-2001	Canada-Alberta Memorandum of Understanding on Emergency Services on Indian Reserves	Municipal Affairs
04-01-2001	Child Welfare Agreement	Children's Services
04-01-2001	International Forestry Partnerships Program (Amendment)	Sustainable Resource Development
04-01-2001	Inter-provincial Computerized Exam Management System – Coordination of Software Development Activities	Learning
04-01-2001	Memorandum of Agreement for Redevelopment of the Multipurpose Alberta Survey Control Operations and Tasks (MASCOT) Survey Control System	Sustainable Resource Development
04-01-2001	Performance Indicators Reporting Committee	Health and Wellness
04-01-2001	Project Funding Agreement on Child Centred Family Justice Services/Renew Federal Funding for Alberta Child Centred Family Law Initiatives for 2001-02 Fiscal Year	Justice
04-01-2001	Project Funding Agreement	Justice
04-01-2001	Promotion of Technology by Canadian Firms via IRAP Program 2001/2002	Alberta Research Council
04-01-2001	Secretariat Support for the Western Health Information Collaborative	Health and Wellness
04-01-2001	Washed Cuttings Contract	Alberta Energy and Utilities Board
04-09-2001	Grassroots Program Agreement	Learning
04-09-2001	Memorandum of Understanding to Confirm the Participation and Responsibilities of Parties in the National Diabetes Surveillance System	Health and Wellness
04-10-2001	Memorandum of Understanding between Canada Customs and Revenue Agency and the Government of Alberta – Student Financial Assistance (Amendment)	Learning
04-27-2001	Collaboration in Agrifibers – Letter of Intent	Alberta Research Council

Effective Date	Title/Parties	Ministry Responsible
04-27-2001 (signed)	Contribution Agreement between Alberta Transportation and Transport Canada for the National Safety Code	Transportation
04-30-2001	Canada-Wide Standards for Dioxins and Furans	Environment
04-30-2001	Canada-Wide Standards for Mercury-Containing Lamps	Environment
04-30-2001	Canada-Wide Standards for Petroleum Hydrocarbons in Soil	Environment
04-30-2001	Installation of Interconnection at the Crossing of Canadian Pacific Railway and Highway 3 and 20 th Street, Mileage 98.54, Taber Subdivision, Coaldale, Alberta	Transportation
04-30-2001	Partnership Agreement between the Canadian Province of Alberta, South African Province of Mpumalanga and the Institute of Public Administration Canada	International and Intergovernmental Relations
05-01-2001	Northwest Wildland Fire Protection Agreement (Renewal)	Sustainable Resource Development
05-14-2001	Statement of Understanding between Citizenship and Immigration Canada and Alberta Learning regarding Settlement Programs and Services for Immigrants in Alberta	Learning
05-28-2001	Canada – Alberta – Alexander First Nation Access Road Agreement	Transportation
05-31-2001	Canada – Alberta memorandum of Agreement on Railway Accident Investigative Services	Transportation
June 2001	Memorandum of Understanding on the Baseline Protection Initiative	Environment
06-04-2001	Alberta Interchange Secondment Agreement	Finance
06-05-2001	National Fishing Week Agreement	Sustainable Resource Development
06-19-2001	Agreement between the Solicitor General and the RCMP “K” Division on the “Protocol Regarding the Release of Information in Respect of Individuals who are Believed to Present a Risk of Significant Harm to the Health and Safety of any Person, Group of Persons or the General Public”	Solicitor General
06-28-2001	Federal-Provincial Agreement on Providing for an Orderly Marketing System for Chicken (Renewal)	Agriculture, Food and Rural Development
07-01-2001	Canada – Alberta Memorandum of Understanding on Being a Sponsor for the Health Access Survey	Health and Wellness
07-01-2001	Contribution Agreement for Additional Financial Support for Tsuu T’ina Nation Policing	Solicitor General
07-12-2001	China – Alberta Memorandum of Understanding on Scientific and Technological Cooperation	Innovation and Science
07-13-2001	Western Economic Partnership Agreement – Community Investment Program (Extension)	Economic Development
07-13-2001	Western Economic Partnership Agreement – Connectivity 2000 Program (Extension)	Economic Development
07-24-2001	Memorandum of Agreement to Establish the Prairie Grain Roads Program (Alberta, 2001-06)	Transportation

Effective Date	Title/Parties	Ministry Responsible
07-30-2001	Peigan – Canada – Alberta Child Welfare Agreement	Children’s Services
08-01-2001	Western Milk Producer – Saputo Inc	Agriculture, Food and Rural Development
08-03-2001	Letter of Agreement Concerning the Recovery of Overtime Costs Incurred by Members of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police Whilst Providing Police Services	Solicitor General
08-17-2001	Memorandum of Understanding between the Queensland Department of Education and Alberta Learning – Teacher Exchange Program	Learning
08-21-2001	Memorandum of Understanding for the Federal Government to Enter Into Contracts on Behalf of the Province for Influenza Vaccine	Health and Wellness
08-22-2001	Anthologies Project – Identification and Review of Excerpts and Texts of French Language Literature	Learning
08-22-2001	Costa Rica and Paraguay Environment Project	Alberta Research Council
08-23-2001	Auxiliary Agreement on the Construction of the “Centre Communautaire et Scolaire Centralta” in Legal, Alberta 2000 – 2001	Learning
08-23-2001	Canada – Alberta Agreement for Minority language Education and Second-Language Instruction	Learning
08-23-2001	Canada – Alberta Special Agreement on Investment Measures for Quality Education in the Language of the Minority (2000-2001)	Learning
08-23-2001	Canada – Alberta Strategic Highway Infrastructure Program Agreement	Transportation
09-01-2001	Cooperation to Develop a Model of Apprenticeship for Thailand	Learning
09-04-2001	Analysis of Selenium and Other Trace Elements in Water	Alberta Research Council
09-20-2001	Presentation/Workshop on Possibly Developing a CLMI System	Alberta Research Council
09-20-2001	Teaching Resources for French as a Second Language – Development and Production of Videos for Beginner Levels 2 and 3	Learning
09-23-2001	Canada-Wide Standards for Benzene Phase 2 Agreement	Environment
09-23-2001	Canada-Wide Standards on Mercury for Dental Amalgam Waste Agreement	Environment
09-25-2001	Western Canada Protocol for Collaboration in Basic Education – Development of an Implementation Manual for Teachers to Complement Ukrainian Language Arts (K-12) Program of Studies	Learning
09-30-2001	Reciprocal Driver Licensing Agreement with Switzerland	Transportation
10-01-2001	Memorandum of Understanding Regarding the Oversight of the Canadian Venture Exchange Inc.	Alberta Securities Commission

Effective Date	Title/Parties	Ministry Responsible
10-01-2001	Memorandum of Understanding Research Support Agreement	Agriculture, Food and Rural Development
10-01-2001	Thermal Solvent Phase I Extension Project	Alberta Research Council
10-05-2001	Development of Pathogenic Fungi as Bioherbicides for Control of Cleavers and Chickweed (Amendment)	Alberta Research Council
10-19-2001	Letter of Intent for Guidelines for Future Clean Development Mechanisms between Alberta and China	Environment
10-26-2001	System for Electronic Disclosure by Insiders Development and Operations Agreement	Alberta Securities Commission
11-01-2001	Alberta – RCMP Memorandum of Understanding on Toxicology Casework Services	Justice
11-02-2001	Field Releases and Evaluation of Biological Control Agents for Scentless Chamomile (Amendment)	Alberta Research Council
11-10-2001	Memorandum of Understanding for Environmental Protection through Action Under the Canadian Chemical Producers' Association Responsible Care	Environment
11-14-2001	Co-location Agreement between Alberta Economic Development and the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade for the Accommodation of the Alberta Trade Office in Munich Germany	Economic Development
11-19-2001	Interchange Canada Agreement	Justice
11-27-2001	Memorandum of Understanding between Canada and Alberta for the Collocation of an Alberta Trade Office in the Canadian Embassy in Mexico City	Economic Development
12-06-2001	Gravimetric and Elemental Analysis	Alberta Research Council
12-10-2001	Gambling Investigation Team	Gaming
12-13-2001	Agreement respecting Legal Aid in Criminal Law Matters & in Matters relating to the Young Offenders Act	Justice
12-14-2001	Canadian General Standards Board Accepts Certification Program for ISO Lab/Testing Facilities	Alberta Research Council
12-18-2001	Memorandum of Understanding with Nunavut – Permission to Modify Alberta Curricula to Meet Needs of Alberta Students and Use Alberta Achievement Tests and Diploma Exams	Learning
12-20-2001	Primary Health Care Transition Fund Contribution Agreement	Health and Wellness
12-31-2001	National Forest Strategy Development	Sustainable Resource Development
2001	Canada-Alberta Memorandum of Understanding on Rural Water Development (Renewal)	Agriculture, Food and Rural Development
01-07-2002	Acid Gas Re-Injection Study at Existing Operations Phase I and Phase II	Alberta Research Council
01-15-2002	Canada/United States Reciprocal Forest Fire Fighting Agreement (Renewal)	Sustainable Resource Development

Effective Date	Title/Parties	Ministry Responsible
01-30-2002	Memorandum of Understanding on the Development of a Heilongjiang Executive Training Program	International and Intergovernmental Relations
02-01-2002	Canadian Council of Forest Ministers Criteria Indicators Project (Amendment)	Sustainable Resource Development
02-01-2002	Inter-provincial Computerized Exam Management Systems – Funding for a Technology Project Manager	Learning
02-06-2002	Interim Protocol on Deliver of an Enforcement and Compliance Program for the Habitat Provisions of the Fisheries Act (between Sustainable Resource Development and the Department of Fisheries and Oceans in the Province of Alberta)	Sustainable Resource Development
02-11-2002	Acid ReInjection Study at Existing Operations Phase I and Phase II	Alberta Research Council
02-18-2002	Joint Declaration of Co-operation Between the Province of Alberta and the Free State of Saxony, Germany	International and Intergovernmental Relations
03-01-2002	Memorandum of Understanding between Transport Canada and the Province of Alberta respecting the Accessible Transportation Portal	Transportation
03-02-2002	Canada – Alberta Agreement on Provincial Nominees	Learning
03-12-2002	Raw Milk Sampling – Alberta 2000	Agriculture, Food and Rural Development
03-12-2002	Western China Teacher Development Project	Learning
03-15-2002	Mutual Aid Resources Sharing Agreement (Renewal)	Sustainable Resource Development
03-21-2002	Agreement for the Provision of Data on Immigrants between Canada and Alberta	Economic Development
03-27-2002	Alberta – Canada Livestock Welfare Research Program	Agriculture, Food and Rural Development
03-27-2002	National Forest Information System Steering Committee (Renewal)	Sustainable Resource Development
03-28-2002	Technology Opportunities for Advancing Canada Hydrocarbon Energy Economy Research Study	Alberta Research Council
04-01-2002 (signed 03-21-2002)	Criminal Intelligence Service of Alberta Funding	Solicitor General
04-01-2002 (signed 01-21-2002)	Implementation of Programs and Services under the Federal Aboriginal Justice Strategy in Alberta – Detention and Transfer of Immigration Detainees (Renewal)	Solicitor General
04-01-2001 (signed 03-05-2002)	Memorandum of Understanding with the New Brunswick Department of Education (Francophone) – French Translation of Physics Learning Objects	Learning
06-15-2002 (signed 03-2002)	CPC Operating Agreement	Alberta Securities Commission

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Alberta Dairy Control Board	Agriculture, Food and Rural Development
Alberta Energy and Utilities Board	Energy
Alberta Foundation for the Arts	Community Development
Alberta Gaming and Liquor Commission	Gaming
Alberta Government Telephones Commission, The	Finance
Alberta Heritage Foundation for Medical Research Endowment Fund	Revenue
Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund	Revenue
Alberta Heritage Scholarship Fund	Revenue
Alberta Heritage Science and Engineering Research Endowment Fund	Revenue
Alberta Historical Resources Foundation, The	Community Development
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Child and Family Services Authority Region 14	
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Keystone Child and Family Services Authority	
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Department of Community Development	Community Development
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Department of Finance	Finance
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Historic Resources Fund	Community Development
Human Rights, Citizenship and Multiculturalism Education Fund	Community Development
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Ministry of Energy	Energy
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Ministry of Finance	Finance
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Ministry of Human Resources and Employment ¹	Human Resources and Employment
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¹ Ministry includes only the department so separate department financial statements are not necessary.

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South Community Board	Community Development
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