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FROM THE EDITOR/LE MOT DU DIRECTEUR

This is my first edition of the *Bulletin*. I am very pleased to be following in the able footsteps of Gordon Mace, who served as Editor for six years. Thanks, Gordon for setting a very high standard.

I am also pleased to have as Associate Editor Claire Turenne Sjolander of the University of Ottawa. We will share all the editorial responsibilities, but Claire will focus particularly on the French content.

While the content of the *Bulletin* will remain generally the same, some revisions will be made and we are certainly willing to consider other proposals in the future. The highest profile change will be the addition of a guest editorial in each issue. The first such editorial is by Caroline Andrew on the highly topical issue of 'chilly climate.' We invite future submissions for editorials, including comments on previous editorials.

Another revision will be found in the 'In the Journals' section. In the past, this section listed the full contents of a number of Canadian journals. Instead of this, we will now search out articles in European, American, and other journals which are less available to most members. I would appreciate feedback about how useful you find this.

Voici mon premier numéro du *Bulletin*. Il me fait un grand plaisir de succéder à Gordon Mace, qui fut notre plus que compétent éditeur pendant six ans. Je te remercie, Gordon, d'avoir établi d'excellents critères de travail (et j'espère que je réussirai à m'y conformer).

Je suis également heureux d'accueillir Claire Turenne Sjolander de l'Université d'Ottawa à titre de directrice adjointe. Nous partagerons conjointement toutes les responsabilités découlant de la publication du *Bulletin*, toutefois Claire sera en charge des textes de langue française.

Alors que le contenu du *Bulletin* demeurera en principe le même qu'auparavant, quelques modifications seront apportées. Nous sommes donc intéressés à connaître vos idées et suggestions en ce qui a trait aux numéros futurs. Le changement le plus important consistera en l'ajout d'un éditorial pour chaque parution. Le premier de ces commentaires, rédigé par Caroline Andrew, traite de la question d'actualité du «climat institutionnel». Nous vous invitons à nous soumettre un éditorial pour les numéros futurs, ainsi qu'à nous faire part de vos réactions quant aux commentaires déjà publiés.

Vous pourrez également retrouver une autre modification au sein de la section intitulée «Dans les revues». De par le passé, cette section offrait une liste complète du contenu d'un certain nombre de périodiques canadiens. Dorénavant, nous identifierons des articles tirés de périodiques européens, américains ainsi que d'autres revues qui sont peu connues auprès de nos membres. Nous apprécierions que vous nous fassiez part de vos réactions à l'égard de l'utilité d'un tel changement.

David Siegel
Brock University

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FROM THE PRESIDENT/
LE MOT DU PRÉSIDENT

Peter Aucoin

You are reading this note from the President because Professor David Siegel (also Associate Vice-President, Academic, Brock University) has generously agreed to assume the post of Editor of the *Bulletin*. He takes over from Professor Gordon Mace who served in this capacity for six years with enthusiasm and great skill. I am also happy to announce that Professor Claire Turenne Sjolander (University of Ottawa) agreed to join the editorial team as Associate Editor.

Approximately 500 persons registered for the CPSA section of the 1995 Learned's in Montréal. We are grateful to Professor Chantal Maillé, the programme chair, her committee, and Professor Maurice Couture, the UQAM local representative for a highly successful conference. Professor Maillé briefed the Board on the 1995 experience and submitted a number of recommendations for change. Professor William Mathie and his 1996 programme committee have already decided to experiment with a revised format that contains a mixture of the traditional structure of sessions with a new set of single paper sessions to be held in the mornings. I wish Professor Mathie and his committee well and am grateful for their willingness to serve.

A committee consisting of Professors Robert Boardman (Chair), André Blais, John McMenemy and David Smith is currently seeking applications from departments for new English-language editors for our *Journal*. These positions (co-editor, assistant editor, and book review editor) are currently occupied by Professors Richard Vernon, Sid Noel, and Kathy Brock, and they have continued to maintain the *Journal's* international reputation for adherence to the highest scholarly standards. I thank and congratulate them for their superb work.

Our Parliamentary Internship Program has made a smooth transition from the directorship of Professor François Houle to Professor Clinton Archibald. The former has set a very high standard of programme and financial administration for his successor to follow. I thank Professor Houle and wish Professor Archibald every success. Our Ontario Internship Programme, under the able direction of Professor Robert Williams, has now accepted its 20th group of interns, and special events will commemorate the past two decades (and make every effort to convince the powers-that-be to continue this highly successful contribution to Canadian political life).

Efforts over the past year to convince the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade to open up the annual competition for positions with this Department have met with some success. I am informed by this Department that, even with the restrictive definitions of eligible candidates in last year's competition, 30 per cent of the qualified candidates had a political science background. Of greatest importance to political science students, eligibility to apply in this year's competition will be open to all MAs and PhDs, those with a university degree in International Relations or International Development, and other BAs in political science if a student can prove a required level proficiency in one of

Mandarin, Arabic, Japanese, Russian, Urdu, Hindi, Punjabi or Korean.

A joint committee of the Association and SQSP (Professors Robert Young, Miriam Smith, and Ken McRoberts from the former, and John Trent, Guy Lachapelle, Pierre Tremblay and Daniel Latouche from the latter) is planning to host a colloque on "Quebec-Canada: New Challenges and Opportunities: Institutions, Markets, and Cultural Relations" in Hull, January 25-27, 1996. Please look for the notices.

CPSA now has a Homepage on the World Wide Web. This was done for us by Professor Michael Howlett at Simon Fraser, who has also taken over responsibility for POLCAN (the CPSA discussion group on e-mail)

Congratulations are in order for Michelle Hopkins, our Executive Secretary, who is expecting her first child. She will be on leave from January to August, 1996, and will be replaced by John Armstrong, currently Administrative Assistant to the Parliamentary Internship Program.

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Vous avez entre les mains ce mot du président parce que le Professeur David Siegel (également vice-président associé à l'enseignement, Brock University) a généreusement accepté d'assumer le poste de rédacteur du *Bulletin*. Il prend ainsi la relève du Professeur Gordon Mace qui a occupé cette fonction pendant six ans avec enthousiasme et grande compétence. Il me fait aussi plaisir d'annoncer que Professeur Claire Turenne Sjolander (Université d'Ottawa) a accepté le poste de directrice adjointe du *Bulletin*.

Environ 500 personnes se sont inscrites dans la section ACSP du Congrès des sociétés savantes qui s'est tenu à Montréal en 1995. Nous remercions Chantal Maillé, présidente du programme, son comité, et Maurice Couture, le représentant local de l'UQAM, qui ont si largement contribué au franc succès de ce congrès. Chantal Maillé a entretenu le Bureau de direction de l'expérience de 1995 et soumis plusieurs recommandations en vue de changements éventuels. William Mathie et son comité chargé du programme 1996 ont déjà décidé d'essayer une formule révisée qui, tout en reprenant la structure traditionnelle des séances, prévoit, en matinée, une nouvelle série de séances axées sur un seul exposé. Nos meilleurs vœux de succès au Professeur Mathie et à son comité et merci de leur dévouement.

Un comité composé de Robert Boardman (président), André Blais, John McMenemy, et David Smith est actuellement à la recherche de candidats en vue de former le comité de rédaction de langue anglaise de notre *Revue*. Les postes à combler - codirecteur, directeur adjoint, et responsable des recensions - sont actuellement occupés par Richard Vernon, Sid Noel, et Kathy Brock, qui ont continué à maintenir la réputation d'excellence de la *Revue* et ce, à l'échelle internationale. Je les en remercie et félicite vivement.

La transition de la direction du Programme de stage parlementaire s'est effectuée en douceur, de François Houle à Clinton Archibald. Le Professeur Houle a établi des critères très rigoureux à suivre pour ce qui est du programme et de l'administration financière. Nous remercions ici le professeur Houle et souhaitons beaucoup de succès au Professeur Archibald. Notre Programme de

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