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The establishment of CAPI is an important part of the University's effort to expand and strengthen its links with universities and other institutions in the Asia-Pacific region, especially with China, Japan, the ASEAN countries of Southeast Asia, and the developing island states of the Southwest Pacific. It is intended that CAPI will enhance the University's growing reputation in these and other areas of the Asia-Pacific region. In the years to come CAPI will be available to all members of the University community, and of the larger community as well, with professional or business interests in these countries. In the various ways outlined below, the Centre will, above all, serve to facilitate participation in the study and treatment of current policy problems in the Asia-Pacific region as a whole, and especially in the countries designated above.

CAPI was established to fulfill six primary functions consistent with the general purposes described above:

i) To serve as a clearing house for the collection and dissemination of information regarding forthcoming activities on campus, and in the community;

ii) To provide a forum for the exchange of ideas and information among interested persons at the University, and to organize and publicize visits by specialists and other visitors with Asia-Pacific expertise;

iii) To promote publication and public information activities appropriate to the University;

iv) To organize and conduct short- and medium-term projects in teaching, training, research, and workshop or conference activity;

v) To organize and administer long-term, cross-disciplinary programmes, perhaps in collaboration with other relevant groups and institutions, on and off campus; and

vi) To participate in networks of organizations and individuals sharing similar goals and interests.
For the first time in three years, CAPI is fully staffed and ready to take on a full agenda of academic and professional programs, including conferences, seminars and other outreach activities. The results are described in appropriate detail elsewhere in this Report and attest to a most productive and satisfying year for CAPI, culminating in the May 1994 recommendation of the Senate Planning Committee to renew CAPI's status as an Approved Centre for a second five year period (1994-1999).

CAPI was established to expand and strengthen UVic's links with universities and other institutions in the Asia-Pacific region and to facilitate UVic's participation in the study and treatment of current public policy problems in the region. 'Initiatives' was a conscious choice for CAPI's name. The emphasis from the beginning has been on public policy research (in the broadest sense) for which outside funding support was to be garnered. 'Research' has always been seen in pro-active, outreach terms to include conferences, workshops, training programs, interdisciplinary projects and networking with other Centres, universities and international organizations. CAPI is thus more than a traditional 'scholarly' centre and for its next five years will continue to be different from Asian Studies centres (of which there are numerous models) found at some other universities.

Our Programs are regionally focussed and Chair/Director managed. Our directions for the next five years will involve new commitments to the larger UVic community and a higher profile for the University of Victoria in the Pacific Rim. Our first priority will be to consolidate, strengthen and carry out the Regional Programs for which the three Chairs and the Director are responsible. This will be accomplished with our current core resources, the help of present and new faculty Associates and in collaboration with other Centres at the University of Victoria and in the Asia-Pacific region. CAPI, as well, will continue to offer a year round agenda of conferences, workshops, student and faculty forums and other outreach initiatives, emulating the efforts of the past year. We propose to continue the Research Development Grants Program with three or four grants to UVic faculty in the coming year. We will support significant Asia-Pacific research undertakings by UVic faculty by providing our first CAPI Faculty Research Fellowship in the 1995-96 academic year. The purpose of the Fellowship is to support the completion or substantial completion of a significant body of Asia-Pacific related research. As well, CAPI proposes to extend its policy of research collaboration by establishing a new Senior Associateship in the coming year. The Associateship will be available to either UVic faculty or to a visiting faculty/expert who will be attached to one of CAPI's Regional Programs. Another priority will be the establishment of six new CAPI Associateships reserved for campus colleagues and external candidates who are actively involved in research and conference initiatives of the Centre. Our objective is to strengthen our collaborative network on campus and in the wider community by bringing fresh expertise and resources into CAPI's Programs.

The Regional Programs developed by the three Chairs, the Director and CAPI Associates over the past six years have attracted $3.2 million in funding support from outside agencies and foundations. These projects typically have included administrative overheads paid to CAPI for servicing the projects. To the extent possible, these funds are allocated to our Program Development Fund. The Fund has matured to the point where it will sustain our 1994-99 Fellows, Senior Associates, Research Associates and Faculty Research Development Grants.

In summary, CAPI enters its second five years with renewed vigour and confidence, committed to the successful implementation of its Regional Programs, educational and conference undertakings and the advancement of UVic's Asia-Pacific interests generally.

Bill Neilson, Director
PEOPLE AT THE CENTRE

Within the University of Victoria organizational structure, the Director of CAPI reports to the Associate Vice-President Research. An Executive Committee advises on policy directions and contributes to achieving the goals and objectives of the Centre. The Committee also functions as the evaluation committee for the CAPI Faculty Research Grants Program, the Fellowship Award, appointment of Associates, and possible collaboration on projects. Chaired by CAPI's Director, the Committee includes the Associate V-P Research (ex-officio), one of the Chairholders, and three other UVic faculty members, who serve three-year terms on a staggered basis to provide continuity.

The 1993-94 members were: Drs. Helen Chauncey, Pacific and Asian Studies; Douglas Johnston, CAPI/Law; Alex McAuley, Associate Vice President, Research; Harold Coward, Director of the Centre for Studies in Religion and Society and John Owens, Director of the Centre for Forest Biology. The Director of CAPI, Bill Neilson, chairs the Committee. Dr. Chauncey will be stepping down as she is posted overseas next year. 1994-95 new appointments are Drs. Chris Morgan, Pacific and Asian Studies and Margot Wilson-Moore, Anthropology. Dr. Ralph Huenemann, CAPI/Public Administration, will replace Dr. Johnston while he is on sabbatical leave in 1994.

An external advisory committee met once over the past year, with more frequent individual contacts during the year. Members of the committee are a valuable resource to the centre for feedback on our work and extending our network. Members for 1993-94 were: Mr. John Hepton, Manager for Asia and the Middle East, Petro-Canada Resources (Calgary); Dr. David Bond, Vice-President, Government and Public Affairs and Chief Economist of the Bank of Hong Kong of Canada; Dr. Karen Minden, Director of Policy Studies, Centre for Higher Education Research and Development, University of Manitoba; Dr. Kimitada Miwa, Director of the Institute of American and Canadian Studies, Sophia University (Japan); and Ms Susan Phillips, a Vancouver consultant, formerly Director of Public Affairs, Asia Pacific Foundation of Canada, with extensive experience in Japan and Southeast Asia.

Faculty and staff at CAPI include Professor Bill Neilson, Director, with a half-time appointment in the Faculty of Law; Dr. Douglas Johnston, Chair in Asia-Pacific Legal Relations and half-time appointment in the Faculty of Law; Dr. Ralph Huenemann, Chair in Economic Relations with China and half-time appointment in the School of Public Administration; Dr. Bill Rapp, Chair in Economic Relations with Japan and half-time appointment in the School of Business; Ms Barbara Duffield, Assistant Director; and Ms Stella Chan, Secretary. Dr. Derek Ellis, Biology and Professor Ted McDorman, Faculty of Law, are CAPI Associates.
PROGRAMS

Each Chair and the Director are responsible for their own Regional Program consisting of research, lecturing, training, conference and network components. As well, there is a fifth Program under the direction of CAPI Associate, Dr. Derek Ellis. Each Program, in large part, is externally funded from a variety of sources. Our current Programs attracted five new research and activity projects to the Centre in the past year.

PROGRAM 1: SINO-CANADIAN TRADE AND INVESTMENT IN THE GLOBAL CONTEXT

Program Director: Professor Ralph Huenemann

This Program currently encompasses two projects, both of which entail research, teaching, and training components. The subject focus is the economy of China, particularly its trade and investment linkages with the global economy.

The first project is a collaborative effort between UVic and UBC in Canada and three universities in Shanghai (this project is a component of the Canada-China Management Education Program – Phase II, funded by CIDA). During the past year, Mr. Chen Jixiang from Shanghai Jiaotong University and Mr. Chen Zhenzhong from East China University of Science and Technology have been Visiting Scholars in UVic’s School of Public Administration, and Professors Han Huijun and Jiang Fu from Jiaotong University travelled to Victoria to present a paper to the Canadian Transportation Research Forum. Travellers in the other direction included Dr. Zhang Anming from Economics and Dr. Bu Nai Lin from the Business School, who taught courses in International Trade and Organizational Behaviour respectively at Jiaotong University, as well as Dr. Huenemann, who taught a course in Benefit-Cost Analysis at East China University of Science and Technology. While in Shanghai, Dr. Huenemann also pursued his research on infrastructure investment in that city.

The second project, titled “Strengthening the Trade and Investment Database for Sino-Canadian Economic Relations,” is also a collaborative effort, involving UVic and the Conference Board in Canada and the State Information Center in Beijing. This project is a component of the Applied Economic Research Institutes Linkages (AERIL) Project, which also has CIDA funding. As an initial step, informal surveys to ascertain data users’ needs were carried out in China and Canada, and existing data sources were investigated for coverage and quality. The large task of compiling a coherent, user-friendly, and reasonably complete data base (in English and Chinese language versions) is now under way. As part of this work, Dr. Huenemann and Dr. Liu Haikuan of the State Information Center visited Hong Kong in June and held extensive discussions with local statistical agencies to obtain a better understanding of the transit trade that moves between Canada and China by way of Hong Kong. Also under the auspices of this project, Ms. Yilei Liang is completing her Master’s degree in Economics at UVic, writing her major paper on Sino-Canadian trade patterns.

During the coming year, a major activity under the first project will be a three-week workshop for senior government officials from Shanghai, to be organized jointly by UVic and UBC faculty members. The major activity under the second project will be to use the new database to illuminate the patterns of trade and investment between Canada and China, and to analyze the policy issues involved. Three younger researchers from the State Information Center will visit Canada for two months to participate in this work.

Separate from these two projects, but complementary to them, Dr. Huenemann has been invited to join the Editorial Board of the new Hong Kong Bank of Canada Papers on Asia, to present a paper on the economy of China in Beijing in November 1994 (in conjunction with Prime Minister Chretien’s visit to China), and to serve on the three-member local arrangements committee for the next meetings of the Pacific Forum on Trade and Development (PAFTAD) to be held in Ottawa in the fall of 1995.
**PROGRAM 2: COASTAL AND MARINE PROBLEMS IN ASIA-PACIFIC**

**Program Director: Professor Douglas Johnston**

This CAPI initiative is centered in the Southeast Asian Program in Ocean Law, Policy and Management (SEAPOL), which is now in its 13th year. The third phase, due to end on March 31st, 1995, has been supported by CIDA as one of the components of a package known as Asia Pacific Ocean Cooperation (APOC). The project encompasses research, training and information activities related to the entire range of coastal and marine management problems in the Gulf of Thailand confronting the littoral states of Malaysia, Thailand, Cambodia and Vietnam. The program includes the sectors of fishery development and management, aquaculture, production and regulation of offshore hydrocarbon resources, navigation issues, port administration, piracy control, marine pollution control, wildlife protection, preservation of mangroves and other vulnerable coastal areas, marine science policy, protection of sunken treasures, and boundary and jurisdictional issues.

In the 12-month period ending June 30th, 1994, SEAPOL organized two major events. The first, held in Kuala Lumpur in July 1993, was the initial bringing together of over 50 officials, ocean scientists and ocean policy experts to review the problems of coastal management in the Gulf of Thailand and the prospects of cooperation among the four littoral states: Cambodia, Malaysia, Thailand and Vietnam. This workshop co-sponsored by the Institute of Strategic and International Studies (ISIS) in Kuala Lumpur, provided all participants with new contacts in the other three countries and laid a foundation for future dialogue of this kind under SEAPOL initiatives. UVic was represented by Chris Garrett, Ted McDorman and Douglas Johnston.

The second SEAPOL event of the past year was an international conference held in Singapore in May 1994 on “The Sustainable Development of Marine and Coastal Areas in Southeast Asia: A Post-Rio Perspective”. This attracted over 80 invited speakers, commentators and registrants. Organized by SEAPOL/CAPI in cooperation with the National University of Singapore and the World Conservation Union (IUCN), and co-chaired by Tommy Koh (Singapore) and Douglas Johnston (CAPI), this conference resulted in a report including over 40 negotiated recommendations addressed to the governments of Southeast Asia and relevant international organizations. This important event was funded mostly by the Shaw Foundation of Singapore supplemented by grants from IDRC and NUS.

In June 1994 SEAPOL developed a proposal for the extension of SEAPOL for the 5-year period beginning in April 1995, and this was presented for funding to CIDA at the end of the month. This document envisages a wide variety of conference, research, training and other SEAPOL activities around three principal themes of system compliance; integrated coastal management in the Gulf of Thailand; and interactions of ocean policy, science, and industry. It is intended that UVic shall become involved in all three, and particularly in the second.
**PROGRAM 3: ECONOMIC LEGAL POLICY DEVELOPMENT IN SOUTHEAST ASIA**

**Program Director: Professor William Neilson**

The Program is built around a number of projects, related by theme and geography, but separate in project administration, objectives and institutional linkages. The Program is region-specific (with particular emphasis on Vietnam and the ASEAN) and incorporates research, teaching, law reform, workshop and training components. Interdisciplinary linkages are focussed on law, business, economics, public administration and environmental studies.

In 1993-94, Program accomplishments included the successful delivery of an intensive teaching program on *Economic Legislation and Administration* in Hanoi, partnered with the Institute of Science Management (Ministry of Science, Technology and Environment) and the Institute of Research (Ministry of Justice). The workshop produced study notes in both languages and led to a successor Program (below). Professor Neilson directed a team of six professors, including two from UVic and one each from Calgary, Simon Fraser, Toronto and Hong Kong. The workshop was attended by 30 senior Vietnamese public servants, legal advisors, regulators and university teachers. The curriculum concentrated on legal policy options, trade and investment legislative frameworks and regional trading regimes. Funding support was from CIDA. The proceedings were jointly published in November 1993 by ISM and CAPI in Vietnamese and English.

*The Vietnamese Legal Handbook for Foreign Investors*, a first-ever monograph, was published by the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade (Canada). Co-authored by Professor Neilson and Allan Neilson-Welch, future editions are to be published commercially by the Asian Law Journal (Hong Kong).

A comparative law and public policy project, *ASEAN/Canada Competition Law and Policy*, involved researchers from Indonesia, Thailand, Malaysia, Singapore, Taiwan and Korea. A regional symposium was held in Singapore in mid-1993, funded by the Canada-ASEAN Centre (Singapore). Publication of the papers is planned for late 1994 as part of a Comparative Law volume by the Faculty of Law.

*Good Governance and Human Resource Development Assistance for Vietnam* is an on-going project, supported by CIDA and the Vietnam/Indochina Sustainable Economic Development Program (Bangkok). Training and planning, and research and advisory assistance are offered to selected Vietnamese research, law reform and public administration institutes and official bodies. The most recent examples include the development and delivery of a concentrated study tour to Canada by seven senior Vietnamese justice officials. Attention was concentrated on court systems, law reform strategies, land assessment and tax systems and bankruptcy/court reforms. A separate, on-going advisory project involves the development of new Economic and Administrative Courts in Vietnam. The first Court has now been established by a Law of the National Assembly and work is starting on the second institution which may include an Ombudsman agency. The third project involves the recent study visit to Victoria by the Director and Deputy Director of the National Environment Agency of Vietnam to study the BC and Canadian approaches to environmental regulation, with particular reference to urban air pollution and reforestation.

*Canada-Vietnam Legislation Drafting and Management Program* is a six stage Program extending through June 1995, involving two intensive Training Programs in Hanoi for 30 Vietnamese legislation specialists. Eight Canadian specialists from the UVic Faculty of Law and the BC Ministry of the Attorney General deliver the training. Outputs will include four model Laws, a national drafting manual for Vietnam and a Legislation Syllabus for Vietnamese law schools. Funding support is by CIDA (Management for Change Program).

A major conference on *Japanese Investment and Aid Strategies in Vietnam: Implications for Development Directions*, co-chaired by Professors Neilson and Rapp, and organized with Barbara Duffield, is planned for November 17-19, 1994. Funding support is from the Japan Foundation and CIDA.

Research and other outputs from these several ventures include papers on regional trade arrangements published in Korea, Thailand and Canada; the *Vietnam Foreign Investors Handbook* published in Canada and Hong Kong; the co-editorship of *Law and Economic Development: Cases and Materials from Southeast Asia* (Longmans, Singapore) and papers on Vietnam's 'Economic Law Renovation' to be presented over the next few months to the International Academy of Commercial and Consumer Law (St. Louis), the Northwest Regional Consortium for Southeast Asian Studies (Seattle) and CAPI's Vietnam and Japan Aid and Investment Conference.
PROGRAM 4: JAPANESE MULTINATIONALS' PACIFIC BASIN INITIATIVES IN A GLOBAL COMPETITIVE CONTEXT

Program Director: Professor Bill Rapp

This Program encompasses research, training, and information activities related to various aspects of trade, investment, and competition in the Pacific Basin involving Japanese MNCs with an emphasis on Southeast Asia, China, and NAFTA. Since these companies are global players, the program incorporates the multinational competitive context within which they operate and by which they are influenced. Intellectual property, foreign direct investment, and technology are integrating themes because they represent the cutting edge of Japanese MNCs' strategic interests and competitive activities in the region and largely determine trade and financial flows. Professor Rapp is completing the first year of a five year program.

Two year project funding from the Japan – US Friendship Commission and the Centre for International Business Education and Research supported research trips to Japan during February and March and again in May and June to examine the Japanese software industry. Professor Rapp also attended a conference in Osaka sponsored by Osaka National University and Columbia University and presented a paper on “Foreign Investment in Japan’s Securities Industry in the 1980s”.

The research has been extended to an examination of specific firms within an industry and their competitive interaction and strategic development relative to other Japanese firms and foreign competitors. Intellectual property rights is one issue that has emerged from the research, and has lead to the development of a joint course in the Law and Business Schools on Managing Intellectual Property. A workshop will be organized for Spring 1995 on issues involving intellectual property with respect to software and Japan.

The second major initiative launched this year within the overall program has been a project to examine the impact of Japanese aid and investment on Vietnam. Examining the potential economic effect of Japan on Vietnam’s economy and development is envisioned as a contemporary case study to be done jointly with the Director of CAPI that will examine the Japanese MNC-government model for off-shore business and infrastructure investment as it might be practised in Vietnam. This project also entails examining the

Japan related inputs and requirements that would need to be incorporated into the Vietnam Economic Legislation and Administration: Workshop and Training Program and the Legal and Government Framework for Foreign Investors in Vietnam monograph since both of these projects address areas that will be of great importance in attracting and managing Japanese MNCs’ investment.

Professor Rapp initiated exploratory research on large projects in Asia and the companies competing for this business. This work can provide a basis for investigating what is happening in Indochina as it is a market for such activity closely tied to government development plans.

Conferences attended during 1993-94 included the Association of Japanese Business Studies Conference in Vancouver in January where Professor Rapp presented a paper summarizing the preliminary results of the software research and was part of a panel discussing Japanese overseas investment strategies. Similarly, presentations on the Japanese software industry were made at the NIBEN Conference in Seattle in February and the Columbia Japanese High Technology conference in April.

As a result of the software project, good contacts have been made with several Japanese scholars, government policy makers, and business executives interested in software and high technology. In particular the Japanese Users Association of Information Systems and the Japan Institute of Labour have been very helpful. The former has invited Professor Rapp to Japan in November 1994 to a conference to speak to a group of large software users.
Program 5: Joint Training Program Between the University of Victoria and the University of the South Pacific, Fiji, on Marine Pollution Assessment and Control

Program Director: Professor Derek V. Ellis

This program is intended to add to the capability of USP to train scientists in marine pollution assessment and control. In this third year of the program, there have been five highlights. First is the completion of the development of a degree credit course in Marine Pollution this year, and its approval by the USP Senate. An undergraduate, interdisciplinary, degree course, has been taught by the UVic scientist-on-campus, Dr. Edward Anderson, in association with UVic Chemistry Lecturer, Dr. Philomena Gangaiya.

Second has been the first full-scale year of the USP Co-operative Education program in marine pollution assessment and control, with three USP students assigned work-terms in Fiji and Kiribati. The fourth intended student had previously been the initiator of the program in 1992/3. He was offered a staff appointment by his work-term employer, the Solomon Islands College of Higher Education.

Third highlight of the year was attendance by Chemistry Lecturer and Ph.D. candidate, Mata kite Maata, at the University of Victoria on a six-month scholarship allowing a two-month Professional Work-Term in the laboratory of the Program Co-Director, Dr. Derek Ellis, followed by four months as a Visiting Graduate student in the School of Earth and Ocean Sciences. Mr. Maata has now defined his Ph.D. proposal and will complete this at USP during 1994-6, with two more short (1-2 month) Professional Work-term Visits to the Institute of Ocean Sciences, Canada. Ms Michelle Lam, USP M.Sc. candidate was supported for six months, July-December, to work on her project on Tributyltin effects, including a six-week work-term in the laboratory of the Program Co-Director, Dr. D. Ellis, at UVic.

Fourth highlight has been completion and reporting of two pollution assessments by UVic Co-operative Education Assistants based at USP agencies. The assistants also participate in the training process for the USP Co-operative Education Project. One UVic student was located at the Institute of Applied Science, and undertook the definitive processing of a set of benthos samples from Suva Harbour. The second student was located at the USP Atoll Research Laboratory, Kiribati, and initiated a coastline water quality survey around the capital city of Tarawa.

Fifth highlight was a course/workshop in May 1994 for the Mineral Resources Department, Fiji.

The UVic scientist-on-campus, Dr. Ed Anderson, has continued to provide specialist experience to USP’s Institute of Applied Science in planning and implementing environmental impact assessments, and informal training of staff.

The program routinely involves two universities (UVic and USP), and several Departments or Institutes in each. In addition, the Environment or other appropriate Ministries in each nation, and SPREP (the South Pacific Regional Environment Program) become involved in the Co-operative Education, Shortcourse/Workshop projects, and employment of the graduating student participants. The College of Higher Education, Solomon Islands, has again participated this year, and the University of Hawaii has provided a Workshop instructor.
CONFERENCE, WORKSHOPS AND SPECIAL LECTURES

The education and public outreach mandate of CAPI was successfully fulfilled through the following conferences, workshops, lectures and Brown Bag Luncheon presentations:

- **Campus Forum on Asia-Pacific Activities**  
  **(October 9, 1993)**
  Faculty and staff attended the all-day forum at Dunsmuir Lodge, with twenty-seven people reporting on their work. Two guests from University of British Columbia and University of Washington led a discussion on UVic’s Asia Pacific activities compared with their institutions. An evaluation of the forum indicated that participants appreciated the opportunity to network on campus wide research interests.

- **The 1993 Lam Lecture**  
  **(October 21, 1993)**
  The fourth annual 1993 Dorothy and David Lam Lecture was presented by Dr. John F. Howes, speaking on “Japan’s New Internationalism and the Legacy of Nitobe Inazo Sixty Years Later”. The audience numbered about 100 people, with good representation from the Victoria Japanese community. Dr. Howes paper will be available at the Nitobe Gardens at UBC as a CAPI Occasional Paper.

- **Symposium – Thailand: Democratic Directions**  
  **(November 26, 1993)**
  A half day symposium featured former Prime Minister Anand Panyarachun speaking on democracy and development in Thailand. Professors Bill Neilson, Ted McDorman and Gerry Walter participated in the symposium, which attracted a capacity audience of students and faculty at the Senate Chamber.

- **First CAPI Student Forum on the Asia-Pacific**  
  **(February 5, 1994)**
  Under the leadership of Barbara Duffield, a student committee organized this well-attended forum on linkages between Canada and Asia. Issues were identified and speakers sought from on campus and in the Victoria community.

- **Third Canada-Taiwan Higher Education Conference**  
  **(March 27-30, 1994)**
  Working with the Presidents Office, CAPI served as the conference secretariat for this international conference hosted by President Strong. University Presidents and scholars from Canada and Taiwan met to map out a plan for research collaboration in the environment, governance, culture, biotechnology and communications fields.

- **Brown Bag Luncheon Series**
  Lunch hour presentations were organized for an on-campus audience, with guest lecturers from UVic and visitors from Asia-Pacific, both academics and government officials. Speakers are listed below:

  - Professor Bill Neilson, CAPI Director, *Legal and Economic Reform in Vietnam*, Post 1986 September 21 1993
  - Dr. Frank Cassidy, Public Administration, *A Maori Approach: Model for First Nations in Canada?* October 5 1993
  - Dr. John F. Howes, Obirin University, *The Works of Nitobe Inazo* October 22 1993
  - Dr. Frances Lai, Dominican College, California, *Hong Kong: Prospects for Democracy Now and Then* November 5 1993
  - Professor Yasukichi Yasuba, Osaka University, *Political Economy of U.S.-Japanese Relations* January 11 1994
  - Mr. Rodney Briggs, Deputy Director of Asia and Pacific Division at the Dept. of Foreign Affairs and International Trade, Ottawa, *China, Hong Kong and Taiwan: What is the Future?* March 2 1994
  - Professor Yos Santasombat, Thammasat University, Thailand, *Community Development* April 15 1994
NETWORKING, COLLABORATION AND SUPPORT SERVICES TO THE UNIVERSITY AND OTHER COMMUNITIES

The CAPI mandate includes “initiating” projects, research, and linkages among the UVic community with other communities, whether in the Asia-Pacific region or locally. On campus, the Centre performs a co-ordinating role and serves as an information network.

ASIAN STUDIES LIBRARY COMMITTEE
The Asian Studies Library Committee focussed its work this year on developing book lists and films, with a total of $65,000 of library materials to be purchased for McPherson Library. CAPI performed a co-ordinating role for UVic’s special contribution to the Asia-Pacific collection, assisting Chair Kathlyn Liscomb, History in Art, and other members of the committee, Greg Blue, History, Tim Craig, Business, Phil Dearden, Geography, Hua Lin, Linguistics, Carl Mosk, Economics, Peter Vangerveest, Pacific and Asian Studies, Rob Walker, Political Science, Margot Wilson-Moore, Anthropology, and Pat Eklund, McPherson Library.

FACULTY RESEARCH DEVELOPMENT GRANTS
Grants are allocated in support of four research themes, namely: the ‘democracy’ research theme, research related to other public policy issues in the region, research leading to the development of university courses in the Asia-Pacific field, and other research topics. Awards are tied to visible outputs such as the preparation of a grant proposal submission or a working paper completed within one year of receiving the grant.

Eight grants were awarded in 1993-94 to:
Nailin Bu (Business): Managerial Reactions to Self-Enhancing vs Modest Behaviours in the Workplace: Canadian and Chinese Comparisons
James Cuth (Public Administration) Asian Case Studies in Management Control
John Esling (Linguistics): Phonetic Inventory of Thai
John McLaren (Law): Law and Morality: A Comparative Study of Prostitution as a Cultural Phenomenon and its Socio-legal Treatment
Carl Mosk (Economics) Older Workers in Japan: Policies and Labour Market Practice
Margot Wilson-Moore (Anthropology): Sboishab Bangladesh: The Situation of Street Children
Astri Wright (History in Art): Young Surrealists of Yogyakarta

Several Grant holders have recently advised of their success in attracting larger project funding or publication of results following the “seed” money provided by CAPI.

COMMUNICATIONS PROGRAM
The CAPI Newsletter, Asia-Pacific News, was established early in CAPI’s history and is now published in September, January, and May. Contributions are solicited from all faculty and staff to exchange updates on their work. Articles include UVic initiatives such as the Canada-Taiwan Higher Education conference and reports on research and seminars. Faculty publications, awards and travel grants are noted, and upcoming events are publicized. Contributors to a “Comment” section elaborate on research in progress. The newsletter is also distributed to an off-campus mailing list of over 400 organizations and individuals, promoting the Centre and UVic activities to a wide audience.

The Occasional Papers Series was launched in mid-summer 1993. The purpose of this series is to encourage the dissemination of research on the Asia-Pacific which may not be published elsewhere or reflects work in its early stages. CAPI solicits contributions from UVic faculty, graduate students and academic colleagues anywhere in the world. New titles this year include:

#5 Dr. John F. Howes, Lam Lecturer and Professor at Obirin University, Tokyo, Japan’s New Internationalism and the Legacy of Nitobe Inazo Sixty Years Later.
#6 Professor Mark Gillen, University of Victoria, Faculty of Law, The Malay Rulers’ Loss of Immunity.
#7 Ms Joanna Harrington, University of Victoria, Faculty of Law, Constitutional Revision in Vietnam: Renovation but no Revolution.

CAPI STUDENT INITIATIVES
CAPI has established an Annual Student Essay Prize of $500 to encourage excellence in student research in the Asia-Pacific region. Those papers selected for the CAPI Prize may be published in our Occasional Papers Series. The first
A Student Steering Committee organized the first CAPI Asia-Pacific Student Forum, held February 5, 1994. The committee selected the theme of linkages between Canada and Asia in the areas of economic, environmental and legal development; human rights; security and the United Nations; and the Asian community in Victoria. A well-attended event, with about 100 people over the day, the forum was a learning experience for students and the Victoria community.

Student interest in CAPI activities was heightened with the Forum, and an ongoing student committee has been struck. Six departments with a public policy orientation are represented on the committee, and students have been selected from Pacific and Asian Studies, History, Geography, Law, Business and Public Administration. The mandate of the committee is to organize the annual student forum on Asia-Pacific, arrange a monthly seminar series for students, and facilitate networking and information exchange among students across campus.

OTHER NETWORKING AND SUPPORT SERVICES

CAPI members provide a variety of support services to the campus and other educational and professional communities. These services are directly related to their CAPI positions, and serve to strengthen the Centre's involvement and profile.

Ralph Huenemann
- Co-advisor to the President, 1994 Taiwan-Canada Higher Education Conference
- Member, Editorial Boards: Pacific Affairs, Canada-China Business Forum, Hong Kong Bank of Canada Papers on Asia
- On-going participant in PAFTAD (Pacific Forum on Trade and Development) meetings, and member of local organizing committee for next meeting in Ottawa Fall 1995
- Member, Shastri Library Committee

Douglas Johnston
- Advisory Board, UVic Environmental Studies Program
- Advisor to the President, UVic-UN University linkage

Bill Neilson
- Chair, UVic Academic Agreement with Chulabhorn Research Institute (Thailand)
- Chair, UVic-Chulalongkorn Faculty Exchange Selection Committee
- Chulalongkorn Law Faculty Summer Academic Program
- Co-advisor to the President, 1994 Taiwan-Canada Higher Education Conference
- External Assessor, Faculty of Law, University of Malaya
- Member, CIDA Vancouver Working Group on Vietnam
- Reader, National University of Singapore, Law, Social and Economic Policy manuscript
- National Board of Directors, Institute for Research on Public Policy

Bill Rapp
- Director, Japan Fund
- Member, UVic Japan Advisory Committee
- Steering Committee, PRISM Conference on Inter-university Research in the Pacific Region
- Senior Associate, Columbia University Centre on Japanese Economy and Business

Barbara Duffield
- Treasurer, British Columbia Council for International Cooperation
- Member, International Development Policy Committee, Victoria YM/YWCA
- Member, Project Review Committee, Indonesia-Canada Forum
Publications and Papers by Chairs, Director and Associates

Professor Ralph Huenemann, Chair in Economic Relations with China:

Professor Douglas Johnston, Chair in Asia-Pacific Legal Relations:

Professor Bill Rapp, Chair in Economic Relations with Japan:

Professor Derek Ellis, CAPI Associate:

Professor Ted McDorman, CAPI Associate:
- “U.S. Unilateral Trade Action in Asia”, presentation at Pacific Region and International Law Conference: Regional Trade Groups and the Pacific Region, Fukuoka, Japan, July 1993.
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BUILDING FROM THE SENATE REVIEW PROCESS, OVER THE PAST YEAR CAPI HAS DEVELOPED ITS DIRECTION AND PRIORITIES FOR ITS SECOND FIVE-YEAR TERM. MOST IMPORTANTLY, THE CENTRE COMMITS TO ITS CORE STRENGTHS AND TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF OUR REGIONAL PROGRAMS UNDER THE DIRECTION OF CAPI CHAIRHOLDERS, DIRECTOR AND ASSOCIATES.

IMPLEMENTATION OF CURRENT PROGRAMS

OUR INITIAL PRIORITY FOR THE NEXT FIVE YEARS IS TO CONSOLIDATE, STRENGTHEN AND CARRY OUT THE REGIONAL PROGRAM COMMITMENTS. THESE PROGRAMS WILL BE ACCOMPLISHED WITH OUR CURRENT CORE RESOURCES, THE HELP OF PRESENT AND NEW FACULTY ASSOCIATES AND IN COLLABORATION WITH OTHER CENTRES AND INSTITUTES AT THE UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA AND ELSEWHERE ON THE WEST COAST AND IN THE ASIA-PACIFIC REGION. IN ADDITION, THE RELATED PROGRAMS ON COMMUNICATIONS, STUDENT INITIATIVES, AND LIBRARY ACQUISITIONS WILL CONTINUE.

EXPANDED CAMPUS RESEARCH SUPPORT

OVER THE NEXT FIVE YEARS, CAPI WILL DIRECT MORE RESOURCES TO SUPPORT ASIA-PACIFIC RELATED RESEARCH BY UVIC FACULTY AND VISITING SCHOLARS. THEIR OUTPUT WILL ENRICH A CAPI REGIONAL PROGRAM IN SOME CASES. IN OTHER CASES, THE RESEARCH SUPPORTED BY A CAPI GRANT WILL STAND ON ITS OWN. CAPI FUNDS FOR THE EXPANDED CAMPUS RESEARCH SUPPORT WILL BE DRAWN FROM ITS PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT FUND.

CAPI WILL SUPPORT NEW ASIA-PACIFIC RESEARCH IN THREE WAYS:

- CAPI FACULTY RESEARCH DEVELOPMENT GRANTS;
- CAPI FACULTY RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS;
- AND CAPI SENIOR ASSOCIATESHIPS.

FACULTY RESEARCH DEVELOPMENT GRANTS

THE CAPI GRANT IS BEST DESCRIBED AS A RESEARCH DEVELOPMENT GRANT. ACTIVITIES TYPICALLY FUNDED INCLUDED THE HIRING OF RESEARCH ASSISTANTS, RESEARCH-FOCUSED TRAVEL, DUPLICATION AND TRANSLATION EXPENSES AND SEED MONEY FOR LARGER GRANT APPLICATIONS. FACULTY RECIPIENTS ARE REQUIRED TO PRODUCE A GRANT PROPOSAL OR A WORKING PAPER WITHIN ONE YEAR OF RECEIVING THE GRANT.

CAPI RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS

AS WELL, CAPI WILL BRING A MORE SUBSTANTIAL FOCUS TO ITS SUPPORT OF SIGNIFICANT ASIA-PACIFIC RESEARCH UNDERTAKINGS BY UVIC FACULTY. ONE GRANT (IN AN AMOUNT MORE SUBSTANTIAL THAN THE RESEARCH DEVELOPMENT GRANT) WILL BE MADE ON AN ANNUAL BASIS BEGINNING IN 1995 TO QUALIFYING UVIC FACULTY IN THE FORM OF CAPI FACULTY RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS. THE PURPOSE OF THE CAPI FELLOWSHIP IS TO SUPPORT THE COMPLETION OR SUBSTANTIAL COMPLETION OF SIGNIFICANT ASIA-PACIFIC RELATED RESEARCH. FELLOWSHIP HOLDERS WOULD ALSO BECOME CAPI ASSOCIATES AND TAKE PART IN THE CENTRE'S FACULTY SEMINARS TO SHARE THEIR RESEARCH IN PROGRESS WITH THE CAMPUS AND PUBLIC COMMUNITIES. THE COMPETITION HAS BEEN ANNOUNCED AND THE DEADLINE FOR THIS FIRST FELLOWSHIP IS SEPTEMBER 30 1994.

SENIOR ASSOCIATE

THE CENTRE WILL EXTEND ITS POLICY OF RESEARCH COLLABORATION BY ESTABLISHING A CAPI PROGRAM ASSOCIATESHIP, BEGINNING IN THE 1994-95 YEAR. THE PURPOSE OF THE CAPI PROGRAM ASSOCIATE INITIATIVE IS TO ENRICH THE MEMBERSHIP AND OUTPUT OF THE ON-GOING REGIONAL PROGRAMS. THE ASSOCIATESHIP WILL BE AVAILABLE TO BOTH UVIC FACULTY AND TO VISITING FACULTY/EXPERTS WHO WILL BE ATTACHED TO ONE OF THE CAPI REGIONAL PROGRAMS. THE PROGRAM DIRECTORS WILL NOMINATE ASSOCIATES, AND FUNDING WILL BE SUFFICIENT, FOR EXAMPLE, TO ATTRACT A VISITING SABBATICAL OR TO COVER TEACHING RELEASE TIME OR RESEARCH EXPENSES FOR A UVIC FACULTY ASSOCIATE.

COLLABORATIVE INITIATIVES

COLLABORATION WITH OTHER UVIC CENTRES

CAPI HAS ALREADY ESTABLISHED LINKAGES WITH OTHER CENTRES ON CAMPUS, WITH JOINT RESEARCH PROPOSALS AND APPOINTMENT TO THE CAPI EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. THESE COLLABORATIVE INITIATIVES WILL BE DEVELOPED FURTHER. COLLABORATION WITH THE CENTRE FOR SUSTAINABLE REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT (CSRD) ON ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY CONTINUES. THE CENTRE FOR EARTH AND OCEAN RESEARCH (CEOR) HAS A POTENTIAL OVERLAPPING INTEREST IN THE OCEAN AND ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PROBLEMS OF CERTAIN AREAS OF THE ASIA-PACIFIC REGION, LINKING WITH SEAPOL. CAPI HAS SUBMITTED A JOINT PROJECT PROPOSAL WITH THE CENTRE FOR STUDIES IN RELIGION AND SOCIETY (CSRS) ON THE CLASH OF CULTURAL VALUES BETWEEN NORTH AMERICAN AND ASIAN SOCIETIES. FINALLY, POSSIBLE LINKAGES WITH THE INSTITUTE FOR DISPUTE RESOLUTION (IDR) AND THE INTERNATIONAL OMBUDSMAN INSTITUTE ARE UNDER DISCUSSION WITH A PROJECT PROPOSAL ON ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION IN PARTNERSHIP WITH KHON KAE UNIVERSITY IN THAILAND.

COLLABORATION THROUGH ASSOCIATESHIPS

STRONGER LINKS WILL BE FORGED WITH COLLEAGUES ON CAMPUS THROUGH UP TO EIGHT CAPI ASSOCIATESHIPS (TWO ALREADY ARE IN PLACE). ATTACHED TO CAPI THROUGH THEIR PROJECTS AND INVOLVEMENT IN THE REGULAR ACTIVITIES OF THE CENTRE, SUCH AS CONFERENCES AND PUBLICATIONS, ASSOCIATES WILL STRENGTHEN AND BUILD CAPI IN NEW AREAS.