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Dear Bureau Member,

Your Bureau has been very hard at work this summer researching many topics which will, hopefully, provide you with interesting reading in the months to come. In the next four to five months, the Bureau will be releasing studies on the following topics:

- * rent control
- * downtown revitalization
- * transportation co-ordination
- * the use of user charges
- * questions for electors
- * freedom of information in local government
- * post-secondary local government education
- * management crisis in local government
- * financial problems of local governments

These are subjects rather than actual titles, and I am sure you will agree that these are some of the most important topics facing local and provincial decision-makers in the coming year.

Included in this mailing are two items of interest for our members. The first is the notice of our Annual Luncheon and Seminar to be held on September 29th at the Sheraton Centre Hotel in Toronto. The theme is "Management By Crisis: A Course of Self-Destruction For Our Cities". The special guest speaker for the luncheon is Mr. George R. Schrader, the very widely-respected and well known City Manager of Dallas, Texas. We hope that you will mark this date on your calendar and make every effort to be in attendance. The second item is a complimentary copy of a new journal entitled, "Canadian Futures". This journal is the first of its kind in Canada dedicated totally to technological forecasting and applied futures research.

The Bureau staff and myself hope that you are having an enjoyable summer and we look forward to another active and productive year with the help of your ongoing support.

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