

January 24

Preliminary report of ministerial mission to Latin America tabled in the House of Commons.

(No final report was presented: the mission's findings were incorporated in the section on Latin America of the white paper, Foreign Policy for Canadians, which was published in June 1970).

February 4-5

Visit to Ottawa of Galo Plaza, Secretary General of OAS, who gave the Secretary of State for External Affairs a "legal view" of how Canada's relations with Cuba would be affected if it were to join OAS.

March 7-8

Seminar sponsored by Canadian Institute of International Affairs for senior officials, academics, and others interested in Canadian relations with Latin America.

June 12

Inaugural meeting of Canadian Association for Latin American Studies (CALAS), York University, Toronto.

July 8

Outbreak of hostilities between El Salvador and Honduras.

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Conflict between El Salvador and Honduras terminated as result of action taken by OAS.

August 24

Inauguration of 14th Congress of the International Institute of Latin American Literature, Toronto (with address by Secretary of State for External Affairs).

November 3

Closing of Canadian embassies in the Dominican Republic, Ecuador and Uruguay announced.

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May 31

Earthquake in northern Peru. Canadian aid provided.