

some cases, although our general policy has been, certainly as regards positions such as confidential employees, always to employ Canadians":

<u>Date</u>	<u>Permanent</u>	<u>Temporary</u>	<u>Total</u>
August, 1939	60	46	106
" 1940	56	55	111
" 1941	50	98	148
" 1942	44	98	142
" 1943	55	198	253
" 1944	74	125	199
" 1945	82	178	260

Mr. Wrong pointed out that the biggest increase was between August, 1944, and August, 1945, when 61 persons were added to the strength abroad, as a result of the liberation of Europe and the beginnings or opening of Missions on the continent of Europe as well as certain establishments which became Missions, in other countries. (1)

The war, commencing in the following year, scarcely changed these basic regulations; but the sudden pressure of extra work, the rapid expansion of diplomatic Missions abroad, and other special requirements in the Department, in war agencies, and in the Prime Minister's Office, caused some variation in practice. Foreign Service Officers already made permanent were not allowed to leave the Service to enlist or take military or naval service. They had to be supplemented, in the senior grades, by war-time Special Assistants, some of whom returned to their original tasks, professions or businesses after the war's end, and a few of whom remained on the permanent strength of the Department as senior officers after 1945. At the end of the war, the manning of the many new diplomatic

(1) Minutes of Select Standing Committee on External Affairs, March 21, 1946, pp.10-11.