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The Department of External Affairs announced today that the Governments of Canada and the Dominican Republic have agreed to exchange diplomatic missions.

A Consulate General of the Dominican Republic was established in Montreal in 1914, and another Consulate General was opened in Ottawa in 1945. A non-resident Canadian Government Trade Commissioner was accredited to the Dominican Republic in 1921, and in 1952, a Canadian Government Trade Commissioner's Office was opened in Ciudad Trujillo.

Canadian relations with the Dominican Republic have become of increasing importance in recent years, and it is now intended to establish, before the end of 1954, an Embassy of Canada at Ciudad Trujillo, and an Embassy of the Dominican Republic at Ottawa.

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