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General Policy Respecting
Canadian Government Offices Abroad.

2. Possibility of opening further offices abroad.

(e.g. Latin America) (Possibilities of Consular
representation).

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During the past year, the chief development in our contacts with other countries has been the establishment of High Commissioners in Canberra, Wellington, Pretoria, and Dublin. The opening of any offices in Europe is, of course, out of the question at present, and the Government does not propose to establish further offices under the present conditions unless for very special and urgent reasons.

It is possible that one or two offices might be established in Latin-America. Several Latin-American countries have recently raised the question of exchange of diplomatic representatives. The Government is giving careful consideration to these proposals. It might be decided in one or two instances to establish a Consulate instead of a Legation. If such offices were opened, it would not be proposed to ask for any additional appropriations. The necessary funds could be found out of Vote No. 42 for Representation Abroad.