

In 1939 Canada declared war independently on Germany. During the war its diplomatic representation expanded to include 43 posts in 33 countries. In 1945 Canada signed the Charter of the United Nations at San Francisco. It is a member of the Security Council, having been elected to one of the six non-permanent seats in 1947, and until December 1948, was also represented on the Economic and Social Council. Canada was a signatory to the North Atlantic Treaty on April 4, 1949.

Thus today the evolution is completed. The nation born in 1867 stands within the Commonwealth as a sovereign state.

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