

CANADIAN MEMBERSHIP ON MAIN UNITED NATIONS BODIES

1. The General Assembly - composed of all the members of the United Nations.
  - a) Interim Committee of the General Assembly - open to all members of the United Nations (six eastern European states - Byelorussia, Czechoslovakia, Poland, the Ukraine, Yugoslavia and U.S.S.R. - refused to attend)
  - b) Temporary Commission on Korea - nine members. One of three special commissions set up by the 1947 General Assembly (other two: Special Committee on the Balkans, Palestine Commission)
2. The Security Council - eleven members, five permanent (the big powers) six non-permanent members elected for two-year terms. Canada a member until December 31, 1949.
  - a) Atomic Energy Commission - all members of the Security Council and Canada, which remains a member even when not on the Security Council.
  - b) Commission for Conventional Armaments - all members of the Security Council. Canada a member until December 31, 1949.
  - c) Committee of Experts (rules of procedure )  
Committee on the Admission of New Members )  
Standing committees composed of all members of the Security Council. Canada a member until December 31, 1949.
3. The Economic and Social Council - eighteen members, with six elected each year for three-year terms. Canada a member until December 31, 1948.
  - a) Commissions - of nine functional commissions under the Economic and Social Council, Canada is a member of five:
    - Economic and Employment Commission (15 members) - until December 31, 1949.
    - Statistical Commission (12 members) - until December 31, 1949.
    - Social Commission (18 members) - until December 31, 1950.
    - Commission on Narcotic Drugs (15 members) - until December 31, 1948.
    - Population Commission (12 members) - until December 31, 1949.
  - b) Sub-Commissions - of seven sub-commissions Canadian experts are members of two:
    - Committee on Industrial Classification (6 members) - indeterminate.
    - Sub-Commission on Freedom of Information and the Press (12 members) until December 31, 1949.
  - c) Standing Committees - of four standing committees, Canada is represented on two:
    - Committee on Organization of the Council (all Economic and Social Council members) - until December 31, 1948.
    - Committee on Negotiations with Specialized Agencies (11 members) - indeterminate.
  - d) International Children's Emergency Fund (26 members) - indeterminate.
4. The International Court of Justice - fifteen judges, of whom five were elected for nine years, five for six years and five for three years. Canada is represented by John E. Read who was elected on February 6, 1946, to serve for three years.