1967 January

Canada on Security Council until December 1968. Ambassador is George Ignatieff.

United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO) established as autonomous body within UN; it later becomes a specialized agency and has to raise own funds (see Foran contribution). Headquarters set up in Vienna.

April

General Assembly sets up UN Council for Namibia to administer territory until independence. Although both Canada and U.S. voted in December 1966 to terminate South Africa's mandate, neither country volunteered to serve on Council, which lacks clout in consequence.

World Health Organization launches campaign to eradicate smallpox within 10 years. In 1977 only one case is recorded (in Somalia).

Treaty of Tlatelolco—full name: Treaty for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America (for full story, see Epstein contribution).

June

Kennedy Round of tariff negotiations under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) completed.

Six-Day War in Middle East won by Israel, after UNEF (United Nations Emergency Force) troops withdrawn from Sinai at Egypt's insistence (see Ignatieff contribution). In October, Security Council finally adopts the landmark Resolution 242, which sets out framework for future peace settlement.

October

Outer Space Treaty comes into force, "governing the Activities of States in the Exploration and Use of Outer Space, including the Moon and Other Celestial Bodies." Stipulates exclusively peaceful purposes.

November

Arvid Pardo, Maltese ambassador, makes seminal speech on seabed issue and moves resolution that leads to Seabed Treaty and also to Third Law of the Sea Conference.

1968 January

Canada on Security Council (Ignatieff).

May

Pierre Trudeau, on becoming prime minister, makes clear Canada's aim is to recognize People's Republic of China (mutual recognition is extended in October 1970) and to work for its seating on Security Council.

May 29

Security Council adopts resolution imposing comprehensive mandatory sanctions on Rhodesia, but omitting African draft clauses calling for use of British force to end rebellion.