

Affairs, discussed such international issues as the FRG's admission to the United Nations, relations between Canada and the European Community, and matters of a strictly bilateral nature. During the visit, letters were exchanged affirming the interest of both countries in establishing a cultural agreement and promoting bilateral consultations on a broad variety of subjects.

Canada's economic and trade relations with the Federal Republic, already of primary importance, were encouraged by the visit of a major economic mission of representatives of important West German industries. Total trade between the two countries now amounts to about \$1 billion annually.

An agreement providing for the mutual extension of air-traffic facilities to the airlines of both countries was signed early in 1973. Negotiations continued on the providing of training facilities at Camp Shilo, Manitoba, to the FRG Armed Forces. These facilities, which would start in the summer of 1974, would promote co-operation between the two countries within the framework of NATO. In addition, negotiations toward a cultural agreement with the Federal Republic were carried on in consultation with the provinces.

### Turkey

Canada enjoyed its customary good relations with Turkey during 1973. This was in part due to co-operation within NATO, the United Nations and other multilateral forums.

The Canadian Minister of National Defence visited Turkey briefly early in May, and late in October Senator Paul Martin represented Canada at Turkey's fiftieth anniversary celebrations in Ankara. At the same time, the Canadian NATO Parliamentary Association was in Ankara attending the nineteenth annual session of the North Atlantic Assembly.



*Minister of National Defence James Richardson and Chief of Defence Staff General J. A. Dextraze attended NATO Planning Group Ministerial Meeting in Ankara, Turkey, in May. (Can. Forces Photo)*