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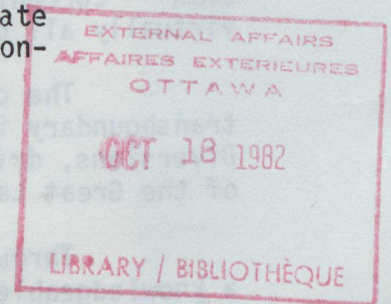
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Canadian Consulates: An Aspect of Canada-US Relations

While Canada's embassies abroad are responsible for intergovernmental affairs, in some large countries, or where Canada has particular regional, economic, political or cultural interests, the embassies are assisted by consulates general and consulates. Canadian consulates exist in Australia, Brazil, Britain, France, Germany, Italy and in the United States, which has the largest number because of mutually extensive trade, transboundary and personal relations.

The 14 consular posts in the USA contribute significantly to the advancement of Canadian interests. They are located in Atlanta, Boston, Buffalo, Chicago, Cleveland, Dallas, Detroit, Los Angeles, Minneapolis, New Orleans, New York, Philadelphia, San Francisco and Seattle, each with responsibility for large local areas and adjacent states. Traditionally they have been involved in trade promotion, tourism, immigration, and also, services to travelling Canadians. While these are important functions, in recent years the role of the consulates has evolved and they have developed programs to respond to Canada's need to expand its economic and political information gathering and, in turn, to disseminate information to Americans about Canada and its concerns.



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