permit is based on certain prescribed standards and is intended to facilitate international tourism. Automobile associations across Canada have urged ratification and implementation of the Convention.

Since the subject matter of the Convention relates to matters within provincial jurisdiction, before taking final steps to accede to the Convention on behalf of Canada the Federal Government sought and obtained assurances from the provinces, that if required they would be prepared to implement its provisions.

It was thought particularly fitting that Canada should become a party to this multilateral convention during the year which has been chosen as International Co-operation Year.

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