

TREATY OF CONCORD AND COOPERATION  
BETWEEN CANADA AND THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION

Canada and the Russian Federation

Guided by the desire to strengthen the ties of friendship and cooperation,

Noting that the radical changes of recent times in the international political environment and world community create new opportunities for closer bilateral relations between Canada and the Russian Federation,

Desiring to achieve further rapprochement on the basis of partnership, mutual trust, adherence to the common values and ideals of freedom, democracy, justice, solidarity and human dignity,

Noting the importance of the Declaration of Friendship and Cooperation between Canada and the Russian Federation and the Memorandum of Understanding on Consultations between the Government of Canada and the Government of the Russian Federation, signed on February 1, 1992, and desiring to lay down a solid treaty foundation for the continuous development of long-term relations between Canada and the Russian Federation in various fields,

Confirming their observance of the rule of law, human rights and fundamental freedoms,

Desiring to reinforce their efforts toward international peace and security, as well as in pursuance of the aims and principles of the United Nations Charter,

Noting the importance of strengthening international security through disarmament and the prevention of the proliferation of nuclear weapons, related technology and equipment,

Conscious of their role in the preservation of the environment,

Recognizing the great potential which has developed in recent years in relations between Canada and the Russian Federation, and having decided to raise their bilateral relations to a new level,

Have agreed as follows: