

regularly exchange diplomatic officers and information but have also shared premises in some countries.

It would be misleading to suggest that Canada and Australia always see eye to eye. Still, for much of the past century the two countries have followed essentially similar paths to political, economic and cultural maturity. Immense, sparsely populated and dependent in great measure on primary products for their economic strength, the two countries will face similar problems and challenges in the coming century. Though a world apart, a shared past and common future give our two countries more in common than ever before. Certainly, in this year marking the Centenary of Canadian-Australian relations, this is worth celebrating!

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