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1. Peace-keeping operations have been one of the major tasks of the Canadian armed services in the period since the end of the Second World War. There is no sign that the commitment of forces for duties of this nature is about to cease. In consequence the Historical Section will likely be undertaking an increasing amount of research and writing on the Canadian role in the nine major peace-keeping operations in which this country has participated to date. (A list of these operations is included as Appendix "A"). The Department of External Affairs, of course, holds an enormous quantity of material on these peace forces, and there should be some utility in a guide to its holdings.

2. This brief report, a by-product of a month's research undertaken in connection with the chapter on peace-keeping for the Centennial Volume on Canadian military history, is intended to set forth as clearly as possible the location, quantity, and nature of the files of the Department of External Affairs which relate to Canada and peace-keeping operations.

Location of Material

3. At the time of writing the Department of External Affairs is scattered throughout downtown Ottawa, with divisions located in the East Block, Daly Building, Langevin Building, and the Post Office Building. Each building has its own registry for current files, thus complicating the researcher's task. The bulk of the material for the period before the early 1960's, however, is now concentrated at the Public Archives Record Centre at Tunney's Pasture.

Guides to the Material

4. The central registry for the Department is situated in Room 355, East Block. Two card files, with extensive but incomplete cross-filing, are located here. One very large card file covers the "old" system of filing which was in effect until a few years ago; the other, as yet very small, covers the "new" system. (A complete list of subject headings examined in these card files is attached as Appendix "B").

5. The Central Registry also holds Departmental File Lists, loose-leaf volumes listing holdings by file number and subject. The volume for the "new" series is most useful because it also lists all "old" related files.



Using the Material

6. The staff of Registry Division, with their guides to the files, can determine the location of material to be examined. The files at Tunney's Pasture, filling thousands of feet of shelf-space, can best be found if the storage box number is known. This should be determined at Registry Division. (A complete listing of material examined and its location is attached as Appendix "C"),

7. All top secret documents have been stripped from dormant files and are separately stored in Room 345, East Block. Each volume of files from which this material has been removed lists the storage box number in which it is held in Room 345.

8. The current files in daily use within the Department are closely guarded, and a letter to the divisions holding the files will probably be a pre-requisite for access to them.

General Considerations

9. The registry staff is most helpful in solving any problems. Understandably they are most conscious of security. In these circumstances some care should be exercised in arranging for access with the Department. The letter requesting permission to use the files should detail the purpose of research, the security clearance of the researcher, and as definite a statement as possible of the subject area to be examined. Access is easiest to those files held at the Public Archives Record Centre, most difficult for those in current use.

10. This information was collected by Lt. J.L. Granatstein.

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APPENDIX "A"

PEACE-KEEPING OPERATIONS IN  
WHICH CANADA HAS PARTICIPATED

United Nations Military Observer Group for India and Pakistan

United Nations Truce Supervision Organization [Palestine]

International Commissions for Supervision and Control for  
Laos, Cambodia and Vietnam

United Nations Emergency Force [Gaza]

United Nations Observer Group in Lebanon

United Nations Organization in the Congo

United Nations Temporary Executive Administration  
[West New Guinea]

United Nations Yemen Observer Mission

United Nations Force in Cyprus

APPENDIX "B"

SUBJECT HEADINGS SEARCHED IN CARD FILES

Armed Forces  
Canadian Army  
Canadian Delegation International Truce Supervision  
Commission  
Collective Security  
Congo  
Cyprus  
Egypt  
Emergency Force  
Guard Force  
India  
Indo-China  
Indonesia  
Kashmir  
Lebanon  
New Guinea  
Pakistan  
Palestine  
Royal Canadian Air Force  
Royal Canadian Navy  
San Francisco Conference  
United Nations  
Yemen



FILES EXAMINED

1. The following abbreviations are used in the tables which follow:

PARC.....Public Archives Record Centre (followed by box no. if available)

EB.....East Block (followed by rm. no.)

Daly.....Daly Building (followed by rm. no.)

Langevin. Langevin Building (followed by rm. no.)

TS.....Top Secret

pf.....pocket file

2. An estimated value has been placed on each file:

"1".....must be examined

"2".....should be examined

"3".....examine if time permits

"4".....omit

3. External Affairs Registries:

EB355. . . . . General Registry

EB345. . . . . Top Secret Registry

EB343. . . . . Defence Liaison Registry

Daly503. . . . . United Nations Division registry

Langevin . . . . . Dormant registry



Department of External Affairs Files Examined

<u>Subject</u>	<u>File #</u>	<u>Volumes</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Comment</u>	<u>Est. Value</u>
<u>1. UN Generally</u>					
a. Post-War International organization	7-V(S)	10	PARC 289197-8	Covers period from Moscow Conference 1943 to San Francisco Conference 1945	1
b. " "	7-V(S)TS	8	EB 345	" "	2
c. Work of Security Council	5475-CX-40	4	PARC	Hodge-podge	4
d. UN Conference on International Organization	7391-N-40	1	PARC	Attempt to secure documents	4
<u>2. Collective Security</u>					
a. UN Guard Force	5475-DK-40	1&1 pf	PARC	All of importance on this subject	1
b. UN Military Staff Committee	50188-40	1	PARC 289484	Work of committee to 1950	2
c. " "	50188-40 TS	1	EB 345	" " "	4
d. Plans for UN Action Against Aggression	50190-40	1	EB 355	Legal examination of right to use force	4
e. UN Collective Measures Committee	50191-40	7	PARC 289485-6	Complex, can be covered easiest by reference to published material	3



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f. UN Collective Measures Committee-Panel of Military Experts	50191-C-40	1	EB 355	Complex, can be covered easiest by reference to published material	4
g. UN Collective Measures Committee-Military Measures	50191-D-40	1	PARC	Attempts to plan for post-Korea UN operations	3
h. UN Peacekeeping Methods-General	50191-F-40	3	EB 355	Canadian thinking on UN Forces to 1960	1
j. Military Actions - Peace-keeping - Policy and Plans	21-14-1	3	Daly 503	General Canadian policy after 1960	2
k. Military Action-Peace-keeping-Policy and Plans-Intergovernmental Conference	21-14-1-2	7	Daly 503	Ottawa Peace-keeping Conference 1964	1
l. Military Action-Peace-keeping-Policy & Plans-Non-Governmental Conferences	21-14-1-3	1	Daly 503	Little relevance to Canadian peace-keeping operations	4
m. Military Action-Peace-keeping-Permanent & Standby Forces-UN Standby Forces	21-14-5 -1	2	Daly 503	" "	4



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n. Military Actions-Peace-keeping-Proposals for Raising Forces	21-14-5-2	1	Daly 503	Little relevance to Canadian peace-keeping operations	4
3. <u>UNMOGIP</u>					
a. Appointment and Adm Arrangements for Cdn Military Observers on UNCIP	5475-CX-2-40	8	PARC	Largely relate to postings. etc. Examine vols 1-3.	2
b. Cdn Military Observers Kashmir-Relations with Cdn Missions	11380-40	1	PARC 245128	Some material on Intelligence matters	2
c. Disputes Between India and Pakistan	50015-40	24 &2 pf	PARC 289259-62	Political questions-little directly relating to UNMOGIP operations	3
d. " "	50015-40 TS	24	EB 345	" "	3
4. <u>UNTSO</u>					
a. UNTSO-Canadian Military Observers	12076-40	?	PARC 246181	Only vol. 3 available. Occasional policy matters, but largely concerned with postings, etc.	3
b. Arab-Israeli Relations-	50134-40	43	PARC 289456-61	Detail on daily incidents	2
c. Military Actions-Armistice - UNTSO	21-13-UNTSO	1	EB 343	Current file - daily incidents	2



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<b>5. <u>Intercom</u></b>					
a. Indo-China-International Supervisory Commissions-National Defence Component	50052-E-40	7 & 1 pf	PARC 289374-5 (vol 7 is in EB 355)	Mainly personnel matters, but some good material	2
b. Indo-China-International Commissions-Air Support	50052-H-40	1	PARC 289375	Difficulties of air support for Commissions	3
c. Political and Military Situation in Indo-China	50052-40	?	PARC	Not examined	
d. Intercom-Viet Nam	50052-A-40	?	PARC	" "	
e. Intercom-Laos	50052-B-40	?	PARC	" "	
f. Intercom-Cambodia	50052-C-40	?	PARC	" "	
<b>6. <u>UNEF</u></b>					
a. UN General Assembly Special Sessions re Middle East	5475-DW-51-40	1	PARC	Very little of interest	4
b. Regulations for UNEF	12479-D-40	1	PARC	Some information on UNEF legal status	3
c. UNEF-Canada and UN Agreement	12479-F-40	1	PARC	Signing of Agreement between Canada and UN	4
d. Arab-Israeli Relations	50134-40	43	PARC 289456-61	Volumes 17-25 are important for UNEF	2



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e. Arab-Israeli Relations	50134-40TS	41	EB 345	Vital for UNEF formation	1
f. UN International Police Force for Middle East	50306-40	1	PARC 289527	Mr. Ignatieff's personal file on UNEF formation	1
g. " "	50306-40 TS	1	EB 345	Empty file	4
h. Provision of Troops for UNEF	50366-40	18	PARC 289544-6 (vols 16-18 in EB 355)	Volumes 1-4 are vital for Cdn role in creating UNEF	1
j. " "	50366-40	11	EB 345	Contains very little additional information	3
k. Military Actions-Peace-keeping-Special Forces-UNEF-Operations	21-14-6-UNEF-2	1	EB 343	Current file relating to daily incidents	3
l. Military Action..... Administration	21-14-6-UNEF-3	1	EB 343	Current file	4
m. Military Actions.... Canadian Contingent	21-14-6-UNEF-4	1	EB 343	Current file	3
n. Military Actions.... Personnel	21-14-6-UNEF-5	1	EB 355	Current file	3



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7. <u>UNOGIL</u>					
a. UNOGIL-Canadian Observers For	12076-B-40	1	PARC	Some information on formation of UNOGIL	2
b. UNOGIL-Observers from other Countries	12076-B-1-40	1	PARC	" "	3
c. Collective Security in the Middle East	50131-A-40	11	PARC 289454	Diplomatic background to Lebanese crisis	3
d. Political Situation in Lebanon	50162-A-40	7	PARC 289471-2	Important for formation and role of UNOGIL	1
e. " "	50162-A-40-TS	8-10	EB 355	Current files dated from 1959	4
8. <u>UNTEA</u>					
a. UN Operation in West New Guinea-Canadian Participation	50409-A-40	1	EB 355	Detailed information on RCAF role in UNTEA	1
b. Political Affairs-Dependent Territories-Interim Control & Surveillance-UNTEA	20-13-4-UNTEA	1	EB 355	Details on wind up of UNTEA	2



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<b>9. UNOC</b>					
a. Congo-UN Operations	6386-C-40	22 & 3 pf	PARC (vols 7 & 9 in Langevin)	Vols 1-4 are vital for formation of UNOC. Complex, complicated questions.	1
b. Military Actions-Peace- keeping-Special Forces- Organization of UN in Congo-Mission and Status	21-14-6-ONUC- 1	1	EB 343	Very little of importance	3
c. Military Actions.... Operations	21-14-6-ONUC- 2	1	EB 343	" "	3
d. Military Actions.... Canadian Contingent	21-14-6-ONUC- 4	1	EB 343	Concerned with wind up of Canadian role	2
<b>10. UNYOM</b>					
a. Canadian Participation in UN Operations in Yemen	11282-B-40	1	PARC	Essential for formation and operations	1
b. Military Actions-Armistice- UNYOM	21-13-UNYOM	2?	EB 343	Detail on RCAF role, finances and problems	2
<b>11. UNFICYP</b>					
a. Military Actions-Peace- keeping-Policy & Plans- Cyprus	21-14-1-Cyp	5	EB 343	Most useful on formation and role	1



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b. Military Actions.... Missions and Status	21-14-6- UNFICYP-1	5	EB 343	Valuable for status of force	2
c. Military Actions.... Operations	21-14-6- UNFICYP-2	3	EB 343	Daily sitreps	2
d. Military Actions.... Canadian Contingent	21-14-6- UNFICYP-4	3	EB 343	Important for organization of force, DND arrangements, finances	1
e. Military Actions.... Airlift	21-14-6- UNFICYP-8	1	EB 343	Important for original lift of R 22e R to Cyprus	2
<u>12. General</u>					
a. Survey of Canadian Press Opinion on International Affairs	4381-G-40	7	PARC	Begins in Autumn 1956, varying formats. Useful for editorials across Canada	2
b. Information Division, Press Surveys	9555-V-2-40	2	PARC	Covers period 1949-53 with some gaps	2
c. Consultation of Parlia- ment on Disposition of Canadian Armed Forces Abroad	50272-40	1	PARC 289521	Discussion relating to NATO, UNEF, Korea, etc.	3