International Air Agreements.—Its position in the field of aviation as well as its geographical location makes it imperative that Canada should co-operate with other nations of the world engaged in international civil aviation. Canada played a major part in the original discussions that led to the establishment of the International Civil Aviation Organization, generally known as ICAO, which now has its headquarters at Montreal. Canada has actively participated in the deliberations of ICAO and its many committees, and as a result has secured the benefit of the joint knowledge and experience of all member states in the technical and economic aspects of all phases of civil aviation.

In recent years Canada was a signatory to the following Agreements concerning civil aviation:—

- Exchange of Notes (July 28, 1938) recording an Agreement between Canada and the United States of America relating to Air Navigation. (Effective Aug. 1, 1938.)
- Exchange of Notes (July 28, 1938) recording an Agreement between Canada and the United States of America relating to the Issuance of Certificates of Competency or Licences for the Piloting of Civil Aircraft. (Effective Aug. 1, 1938.)
- Exchange of Notes (July 28, 1938) recording an Agreement between Canada and the United States of America relating to Certificates of Airworthiness for Export. (Effective Aug. 1, 1938.)
- Memorandum of Agreement between Canada and Newfoundland relating to the establishment of an Air Base at Goose Bay, Labrador. Signed at St. John's, Newfoundland, Oct. 10, 1944.
- Exchange of Notes (Feb. 17, 1945) between Canada and the United States of America recording an Agreement for Civil Air Transport. (Effective Feb. 19, 1945.) (New York Agreement.)
- Exchange of Notes (Apr. 10 and 12, 1947) between Canada and the United States of America amending the Exchange of Notes (Feb. 17, 1945) between the two countries recording an Agreement for Civil Air Transport.
- Agreement for Air Services between Canada and the United Kingdom. Signed at Bermuda, Dec. 21, 1945.
- Agreement for Air Services between Canada and Australia. Signed at Ottawa, June 11, 1946.
- Agreement between the Governments of Canada and Newfoundland on Air Transport between Canada and Newfoundland. Signed at St. John's, July 29, 1946.
- Agreement between the Government of Canada and the Government of Portugal for Air Services between Canadian and Portuguese Territories. Signed at Lisbon, Apr. 25, 1947.
- Exchange of Letters (Jan. 31 and Feb. 1, 1947) between Canada and the United Kingdom constituting an Agreement concerning the Grant to Airlines of Traffic Rights in Fiji and Canton Islands.
- Agreement between the Government of Canada and the Government of Sweden for Air Services between Canadian and Swedish Territories. Signed at Ottawa, June 27, 1947.
- Exchange of Notes (June 27 and 28, 1947) between Canada and Sweden supplementing the Agreement for Air Services between Canadian and Swedish Territories, dated June 27, 1947.
- Agreement between Canada and the United Kingdom concerning the Establishing of Air Communications between the Territory of Canada and United Kingdom Territories in the West Atlantic and Caribbean Areas. Signed at Ottawa, July 17, 1947.
- Agreement between Canada and Ireland for Air Services between the two countries (signed at Dublin, Aug. 8, 1947) with Exchange of Notes (Apr. 19, May 31 and June 3, 1948) amending the Agreement.