

# Sûreté du Québec

## Cross-Border Policing and Security on the Québec-United States Border



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# Public Safety in Canada

## Federal:

- Criminal Code
- Federal Laws
- Public Safety Canada:

- CSIS
- CBSA
- RCMP

## Provincial:

- Provincial Laws
- Justice
- Department Public Safety:
  - Police
  - Emergency Preparedness



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# Policing in Quebec

Type	Police service	Sworn Officers	Civilian Staff
<b>Provincial</b>	Sûreté du Québec <sup>1</sup>	5 645	1 786
<b>Municipal</b>	Service de police de la Ville de Montréal (SPVM) <sup>2</sup>	4 431	1 613
	+ 30 other municipal services <sup>3</sup>	4 414	1 493
<b>Federal</b>	Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) <sup>4</sup>	972	220
<b>Aboriginal</b>	28 services	237	
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>15 462</b>	<b>5112</b>



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1: RAG 2011 including Sainte-Adèle and Rivière-du-Loup

2: RAG 2011

3 - 4: StatCan 2011

# Sûreté du Québec

## Québec

**Population :**  
8 million

**Territory :**  
643 802 sq mi

**Capital:**  
Quebec City



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**Territorial  
Organization**

**10 Districts**

**1 Headquarters:**  
Montreal

**Police stations**  
119

**Population  
covered**

2 417 690 hab.

58 779 miles of  
roads



# Levels of Services

- The Sureté du Québec provides all levels of Police services



General services

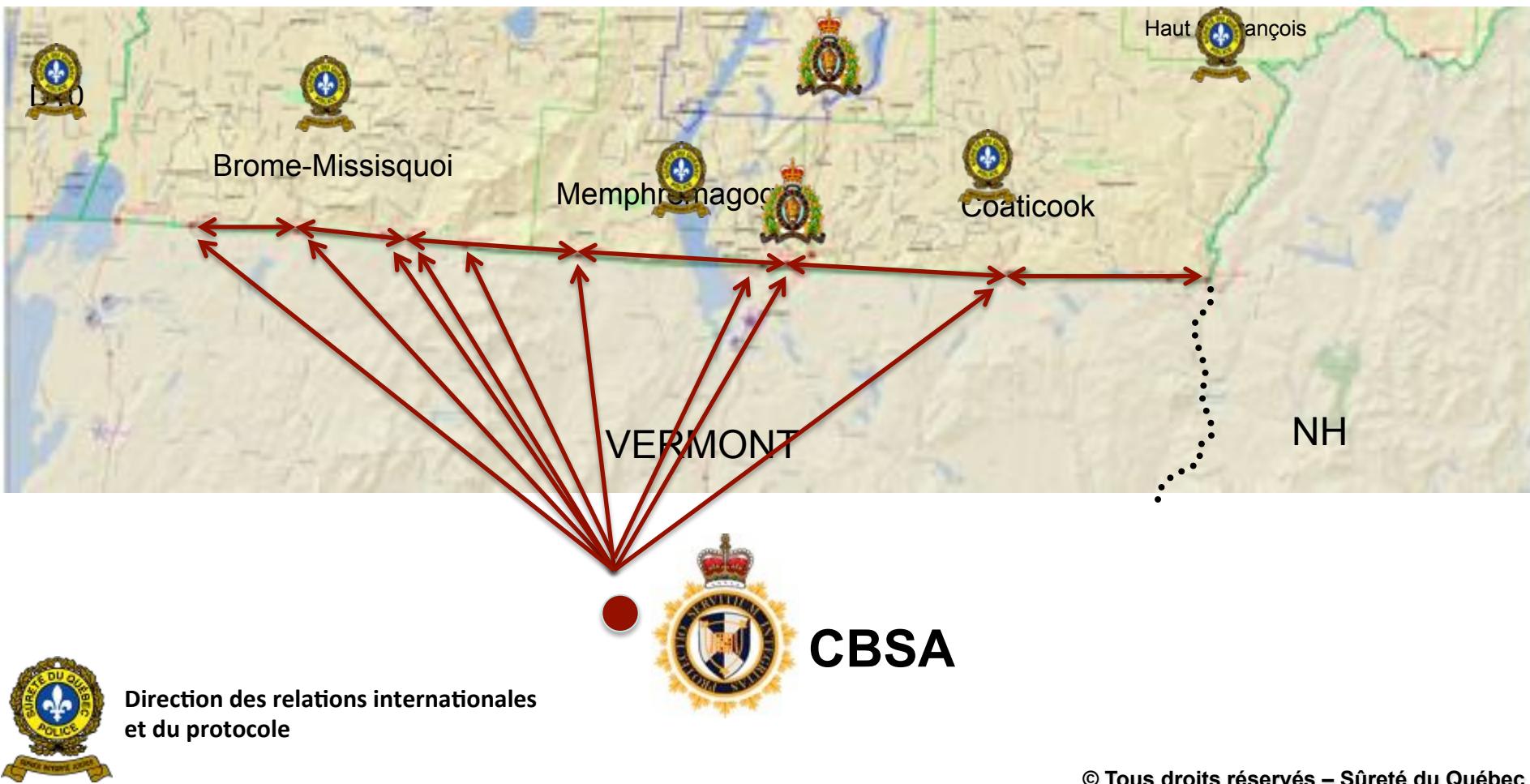
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Specialized services

National services

# The Border



# Quebec-USA border

## □ Québec-USA Border:

- 813 km (505 mi)

## □ 4 States

- New York

- Vermont

- New Hampshire

- Maine

## □ Sûreté stations in border region : 15



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# Policing and the border

- Local / Regional public safety influenced by the international border
  - Emergency measures (ex. Pursuit, flooding etc..)
  - Information sharing
  - Transnational organized crime
- Assisting federal agencies
  - Illegal immigration
  - Cross-Border criminal investigations
  - Integrated Border Enforcement Teams (IBET)





# A long history of cooperation

- The longest undefended border
- In the 1990 : border issues
  - Drug / tobacco trafficking
  - Firearms / smuggling
  - Organized Crime
- Cross-border Police cooperation
- First examples around 1880

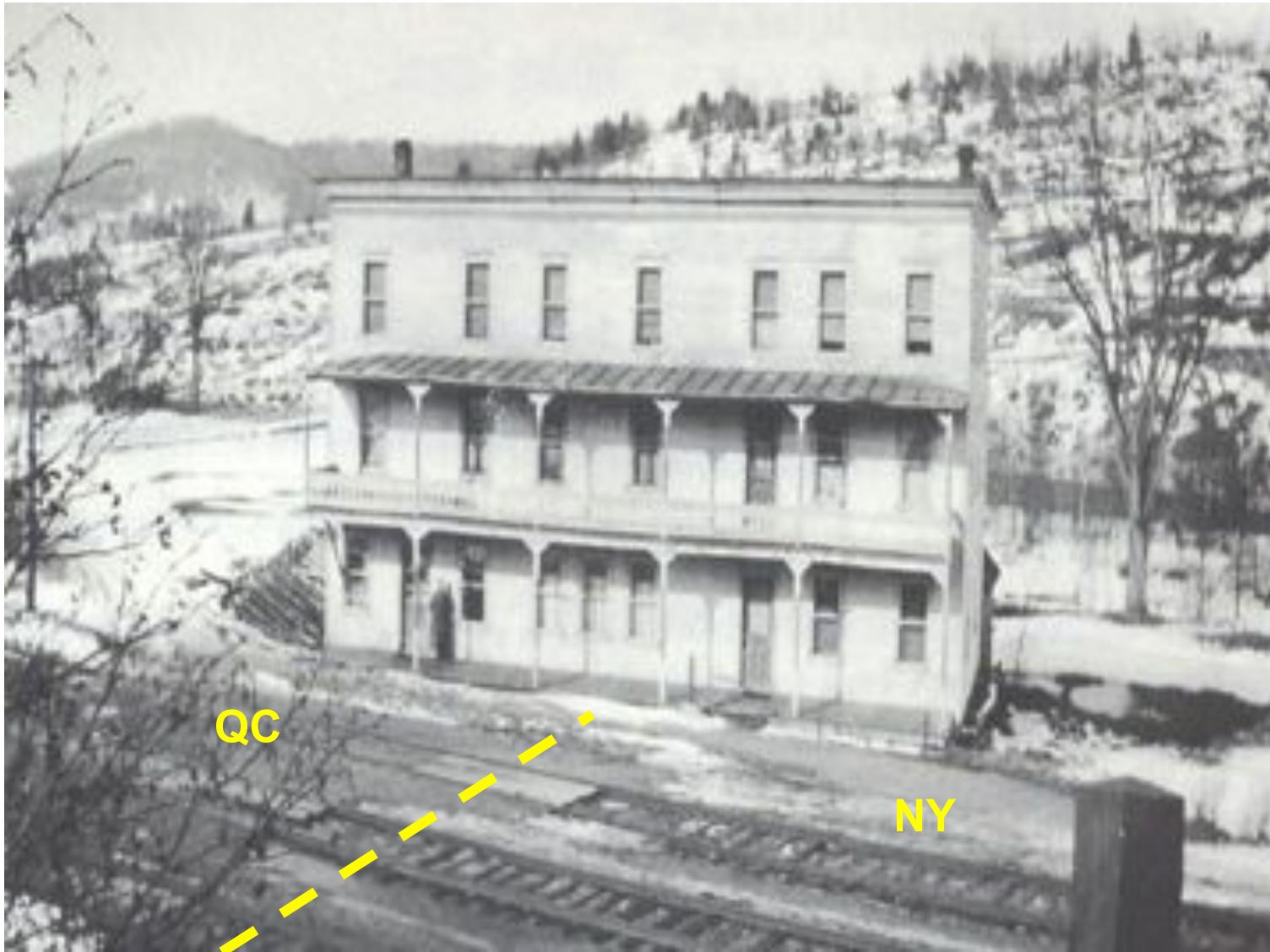


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# Example of cooperation

Queen's Little Palace





# Québec International Policy

## □ Quebec's International Policy :

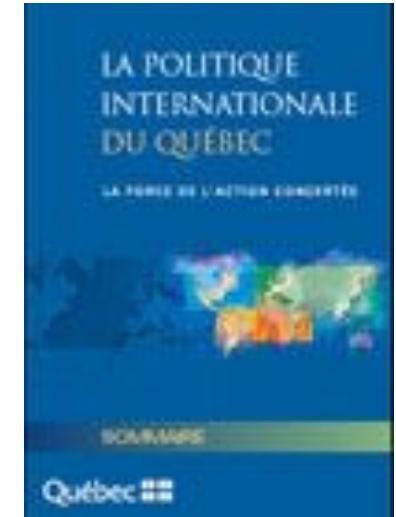
- Contributing to the security of Québec and the North American continent;

## □ Key Initiatives

- Establish a security information unit within the Ministère de la Sécurité publique
- MOU on Police information sharing
  - Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Vermont, New York

## □ For the Sûreté du Québec

- Counterterrorism Unit
- Liaison officer in Paris



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# Federal-Provincial Cooperation

- INSET : (INTEGRATED NATIONAL SECURITY ENFORCEMENT TEAM)
  
- IBET: (INTEGRATED BORDER ENFORCEMENT TEAM)
  
- MSET: (MARINE SECURITY ENFORCEMENT TEAM)
  
- CONCEPT (2010)



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# Exercises with American agencies

## ❑ Table Top Exercise

### ❑ Zone 45 (2008)

- ❑ Departement of Homeland Security
- ❑ Sûreté du Québec
- ❑ New York State Police



### ❑ Double Impact (2005)

- ❑ In collaboration with multiple Vermont agencies
- ❑ Focused on first responders
- ❑ Terrorist event simulation including NRBC comp



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# 2010: Strategy for Cross-Border partnerships

- Strategy to maintain and develop partnerships in all areas of policing
  - Federal
  - State
  - Local
- Strategic and Operational Levels
- Working with Cross-Border networks
  - Field operations
  - Special Units
  - Criminal Investigation



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# Examples

- 2011/2012: Trafic Safety Without Borders (Catalyseur)
- December 2011: Quebec-Vermont Workshop
- May 2012: Ontario-Quebec-New York Workshop
- May 2012: Quebec-Vermont Workshop 2



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# Conclusion

Any questions?



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