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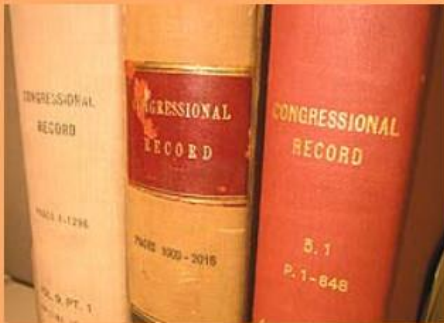
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Recent versions of the *Record* may be found in [THOMAS](#), the legislative information site at the Library of Congress. This site debuted during the 104th Congress, but contains searchable text of the contemporary *Record*.

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A citation to the *Federal Register*—for example "77 Fed. Reg. 58945 (Sept. 25, 2012)"—gives you several pieces of information, including the volume number (in this example, the citation refers you to volume 77), the page number of that volume (here, page number 58945), and the date of the issue of the *Federal Register* where the publication appears (here, September 25th, 2012). The Law Library of Congress blog provides a [Beginner's Guide](#) that may be of assistance with your research in the *Federal Register*.

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After the June 28, 1914, assassination in Sarajevo of Archduke Franz Ferdinand, heir to the Austro-Hungarian Empire, a sequence of events occurred that culminated in the outbreak of World War I one month later when the Austro-Hungarian government declared war on Serbia. While initially reluctant to become involved, the United States joined the Allied Powers in 1917.

From the death of the Archduke to the Armistice on November 11, 1918, over 20 countries [issued various forms of declarations of war](#) that can be found in the official government publications of the time. This presentation highlights those declarations that are available at the Law Library of Congress. The information can be accessed in alphabetical order by country. [A map](#) illustrating years of entry into the war is also provided.

In addition, the presentation includes documents leading to [US involvement](#) in the war, culminating in declarations of war against Germany on April 6, 1917, and against Austria-Hungary on December 7, 1917. This collection makes of one of many available from the Library of Congress on [World War I](#).

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