

- (iii) the appointment of an assistant Military Attaché to Czechoslovakia to be reviewed in six months' time;
- (b) the following changes be made in the existing disposition:
- (1) the withdrawal of the Military Attachés from Greece and China and the establishment of Military Attachés in the Soviet Union and Italy;
- (2) (i) the withdrawal of the assistant Air Attaché from Belgium and the establishment of an assistant Air Attaché in Yugoslavia,
- (ii) the withdrawal of the Air Attaché from Argentina and the establishment of an Air Attaché in Poland to be reviewed in six months' time.

4. The immediate implications of the additions referred to in paragraph 3 fall within the already authorized attaché establishments of the respective services. However, if and when the appointment of an assistant military attaché is made to Czechoslovakia, it will increase by one the present authorized army attaché establishment.

5. The detailed considerations in respect of the requirements for the above additions and changes are attached as Appendix "A". The details of the present and proposed overall disposition of Service attachés are shown as Appendix "B".†

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Annexe "A"

Appendix "A"

SECRET

[Ottawa, April 21, 1950]

SERVICE ATTACHÉ REQUIREMENTS

USSR

1. The quantity of information emanating from the Service Attaché in Moscow is admittedly small. However, since the overall information available is comparatively scanty what is obtained from this source is relatively significant. Furthermore, the Service Attaché in Moscow acts as a member of the U.K.-U.S.-Canadian team and both contributes to and draws from the joint pool of information. Since the number of Service Attachés which these other countries can have in Moscow at any one time is limited, the presence of a Canadian Service Attaché is more important than would otherwise be the case.

2. The information obtained is normally the result of personal observation including such photographs of May Day and other parades as can be obtained. It is particularly important, therefore, for each Service to have its own representative in Moscow since the Air Force cannot observe satisfactorily for the Army or vice versa. Accordingly, it is proposed that a Military Attaché be appointed to Moscow in addition to the present Air Attaché.

POLAND

3. Poland is significant for the following reasons: