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ANNEX.

(i) Twenty Canadian Forestry Companies have been furnished at the request of the Ministry of Supply for work in this country. Though they are not engaged on military duties it has been found desirable that these men should be organised in military formations and subject to military discipline. The Canadian Government have

recently been invited to provide as a matter of urgency a further twenty such companies, but they have felt unable to help in this direction, at any rate pending the completion of a man power survey now in hand in Canada.

(ii) We have also recently asked on behalf of the Ministry of Supply for 350 Civilian Sawyers to provide the nucleus to unskilled labour for timber production in this country in areas where the use of military units is not thought feasible. The Canadian reply has been similar to that under (i).

(iii) A request has been made for Military Transportation Units, amounting in all to some 3,500 men. This request again the Canadian Government have felt unable to meet, at any rate for the present.

(iv) A Canadian Tunnelling Company stationed in Gibraltar may be said to come under category (b), since it is understood that it has been found necessary to replace the company in the Canadian Corps by the despatch of another such unit.

(v) The Canadian Government have recently been asked for Aerodrome Construction Companies to the number, if possible, of 10,000 men. It is understood that this request also has had to be refused, though we have been invited to consider the alternative of the employment of Canadian constructors with Canadian civilian labour.

(vi) Following an appeal for assistance by way of Radio
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