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M E M O R A N D U M

Mr. Keenleyside telephoned to me at about noon to say that the French Minister had called this morning. He was very upset because he had not been able to see the Prime Minister before his departure from Washington. He had tried to see Mr. Crerar in order to leave with him a note from his Government, but had not succeeded in reaching him. He therefore left the note with Mr. Keenleyside, with the most urgent request that it should, if possible, be placed in the hands of the Prime Minister before he discussed the St. Pierre episode with the President.

Mr. Keenleyside gave the text of the note over the telephone, and this is attached to this memorandum.

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