

### EISENHOWER VISIT

President Eisenhower, of the United States, will visit Ottawa July 8-11 and during his stay in the capital city will address Senators and Members of Parliament at a joint Session of Parliament.

Secretary of State Dulles will come to Ottawa with the President, it was announced by Prime Minister Diefenbaker, and both distinguished guests will be accompanied by their wives.

It will be Mr. Eisenhower's first visit to Ottawa since 1953. He and Mrs. Eisenhower will stay at Government House as guests of Governor General Vincent Massey.

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### REGRETS SOVIET POSITION

Prime Minister John G. Diefenbaker, issued on May 3 the following statement on the Soviet rejection of Aerial Inspection in the Arctic:

"It is most disturbing that the Soviet Union has elected to reject as mere propaganda the proposal before the Security Council for the establishment of an Arctic Zone of inspection against surprise attack. This constructive United States proposal, which Canada has endorsed, was put forward in answer to charges by the Soviet Union that aircraft of the U.S. Strategic Air Command were making provocative flights in the direction of the Soviet Union. The position of the Canadian Government on these charges is that they are unfounded. However, if there are in fact Soviet fears of attack through the Arctic regions those fears should be allayed and the most practical way to do so is to provide mutually satisfactory assurances.

"As I informed the General Assembly of the United Nations last September, and as our Representative on the Security Council last week has reiterated, we are prepared, if the Soviet Union will reciprocate, to have the whole or a part of Canada included in an equitable system of inspection to provide safeguards against surprise attack. Our affirmations that we will have no part of any aggressive designs against the Soviet Union, our assertions that we have nothing to hide, our desire to ensure that our relations with our neighbour to the north shall be as free from fear as they are with our neighbour to the south, are not mere words. The earnest of our good faith is our readiness to accept the application of agreed measures of inspection in our northland which will provide the necessary assurances.

### PASSPORT CONVENTION

"The veto which the Soviet Union cast yesterday in the Security Council on the proposal for the establishment of such measures in the Arctic we can only regard as evidence that the charges made by the Soviet Union against the U.S.A. are without foundation but more serious than that the U.S.S.R. has placed a veto on the hopes of mankind for peace by denying a first step being taken to ultimate disarmament.

"Canada is a neighbour of both powers. The Canadian people stand ready to make available the inspection of Canadian Arctic areas in return for similar inspection of similar Arctic regions in control of the U.S.S.R."

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### AT NATO MEETING

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, Mr. Sidney E. Smith, headed the Canadian delegation at the Ministerial Meeting of the North Atlantic Council which took place in Copenhagen from Monday, May 5, to Wednesday, May 7. Mr. Smith was accompanied by Mr. Jules Leger, Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs; Mr. L.D. Wilgress, Permanent Representative of Canada to the North Atlantic Council; Mr. D.V. Lapan, Assistant Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs; and other officials from his department.

Mr. Smith had earlier held discussions in London with ministers of the United Kingdom Government. During his stay in the United Kingdom, Mr. Smith was received by Her Majesty The Queen and spent the night of May 1 at Windsor Castle.

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### FINALISTS NAMED

Eight finalists have been chosen from among more than 500 competitors in the international competition to design a new city hall and civic square for the City of Toronto. Each will receive \$7,500 for preparing his design in much greater detail for the final stage of the competition, which will be judged in September.

The finalists are I.M. Pei and Associates, Madison Ave., New York; Perkins and Will (Albert A. Hoover and James D. Lothrop), White Plains, New York; Frank Mickutowski, Florence Lane, South St. Paul, Minn.; William B. Hayward, Ann Arbor, Mich.; Viljo Rewell, Helsinki; Halldor Gunnlogsson and Jom Neilsen, Copenhagen; John H. Andrews, an Australian, now a graduate student at the Harvard School of Design and David Home, of Toronto.