

in Canada assumes all the obligations for the care and maintenance of certain immigrants which would otherwise fall upon a Province or municipality. These cases are dealt with by correspondence and a letter is issued in each individual case setting out the conditions of entry and authorizing visa. It is necessary to have some document bearing a description and photograph of the immigrant. As stated previously, however, it is not implied that such a document is regarded by the Department of Immigration as a valid passport.

Yours sincerely,

O. D. SKELTON

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Le secrétaire aux Dominions au Gouverneur général
Dominions Secretary to Governor General

PARAPHRASE OF TELEGRAM

London, May 19, 1927

SECRET. Following for Prime Minister. Begins. As a result of the police search at the premises of Arcos the information now available makes it abundantly clear that Arcos has been used as a centre of military espionage and of Communist activities both in the United States, the Dominions and in this country, and has been in close touch with the Soviet Diplomatic Agency for these purposes. We have postponed promised statement in the House of Commons, pending fuller Cabinet consideration, till next Tuesday in view of the gravity of the information, but that the disclosure of facts will almost certainly involve diplomatic relations being broken off is already evident. Ends. See my telegram of May 16th.

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Le secrétaire aux Dominions au Gouverneur général
Dominions Secretary to Governor General

PARAPHRASE OF TELEGRAM

London, May 23, 1927

IMMEDIATE. SECRET. Anglo-Soviet relations—my preceding cypher telegram of to-day. With regard to the statement already telegraphed, it is intended that it should be immediately followed by a further statement showing that evidence is available to prove every basis on which not only the Soviet Trade Delegation and also the Soviet Legation could be permitted to remain in this country has been violated and that H. M. Government in Great Britain is left no choice but to terminate the Trade Agreement of 1921 and to sever diplomatic relations with the Government of the Soviet Union, in view of the cumulative effect of the evidence in possession of His Majesty's Government. This further statement, the form of which is now under consideration, will be communicated to you in a separate telegram as soon as possible.