

APPENDIX 15

**Note from the Acting Permanent Delegate of Canada to the United Nations,
to the Secretary-General of the United Nations, July 21, 1950**

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your message dated 14 July 1950 concerning additional assistance to the forces operating in Korea under authority of the Security Council's resolution of 27 June.

I am instructed to inform you that the Canadian Government has given full and earnest study to the request contained in your message in the light both of the needs of the Korean situation and of the other interests and responsibilities of Canada.

The Canadian Government understands that there is an immediate need for additional air transport. It has therefore decided to make available, at once, to the United Nations a long range air transport squadron including ground crews of the Royal Canadian Air Force, for assistance in the Pacific air lift. In accordance with your suggestion, the detailed arrangements for the participation of this squadron will be made with the Unified Command established under authority of the Security Council.

With respect to ground forces, for the reasons indicated in a statement issued by the Prime Minister on 19 July (of which I am enclosing a copy) the Canadian Government is unable, at this stage, to despatch existing first line elements of the Canadian army to the Korean theatre.*

You will observe that in Mr. St. Laurent's statement reference is made to the Canadian Government's willingness to give consideration to participation in a United Nations force for service in Korea should a decision to that effect be taken by the Security Council.

With respect to naval assistance, you are aware three Canadian destroyers are already proceeding to Korean waters for service under the Unified Command.

As you will observe from the Prime Minister's statement, the Canadian Government, having in mind its defence responsibilities, including those as a member of the United Nations, is taking immediate steps for strengthening and increasing its armed forces.

APPENDIX 16

Security Council resolution, July 31, 1950

The Security Council,

Recognizing the hardships and privations to which the people of Korea are being subjected as a result of the continued prosecution by the North Korean forces of their unlawful attack; and

Appreciating the spontaneous offers of assistance to the Korean people which have been made by governments, specialized agencies, and non-governmental organizations;

Requests the Unified Command to exercise responsibility for determining the requirements for the relief and support of the civilian population of Korea, and for establishing in the field the procedures for providing such relief and support;

*See Appendix 14