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The Department of External Affairs announced today that a Bilateral Agreement for Air Services between Canada and Norway was signed this afternoon in Ottawa. The Honourable Lionel Chevrier, Minister of Transport, signed on behalf of Canada, while His Excellency Daniel Steen, Minister to Canada for Norway, signed on behalf of his Government.

This Agreement is similar to the previous Agreement concluded by Canada with Sweden in 1947 and with Denmark in 1949 and provides for the direct carriage of traffic between Canada and Norway. Gander, Newfoundland, has been designated as the airport in Canada at which Norway may exercise its traffic rights.

An airline owned by the Government of Norway is a partner together with a Swedish and a Danish airline in the pooled Scandinavian Airlines System. This joint company has already been operating into Canada by virtue of the earlier Agreements concluded with Sweden and Denmark.