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The Department of External Affairs announced today that, having regard to the desirability of bringing the Federal Republic of Germany into closer association with the community of free nations, the Government has decided to take the necessary action in Canada to terminate the state of war with Germany, as soon as it is in a position to do so.

Such action will be quite distinct from any final settlement that may be concluded with Germany and it will in no way affect Germany's obligations in respect of such matters as debts and claims.
