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The thick light line shows the existing National Capital District and the dark line the boundaries which the FDC recommends for the National Capital Region. It is felt that the enlarged area is a more realistic definition of the economic area of Greater Ottawa-Hull. The communities within this area, with one or two exceptions, are satellites of this metropolitan area.

The new boundary would include the valley of the Mississippi River, a most beautiful and unspoiled natural park area; and in Quebec would take in the natural watersheds which are presently cut by the present boundary. It is recommended that the area to the south-east of Ottawa be included in order that, should the Federal Government decide to decentralize its activities by the setting up of federal buildings in satellite communities, assistance and advice can be given to such communities in the development of their towns or villages. It is emphasized that within the National Capital District the Federal District Commission is not committed to undertake any projects.