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The Department of External Affairs wishes to draw the attention of interested persons to a public notice in the Canada Gazette advising that arrangements have been completed for the Foreign Compensation Commission, which has been established in the United Kingdom, to consider claims of Canadian citizens and corporations for losses resulting from nationalization and other measures in Yugoslavia affecting British property rights and interests. The notice refers to agreements made between the United Kingdom and Yugoslavia, in which Canada has joined, whereby Yugoslavia will pay in full discharge of all such claims a sum to be distributed proportionally amongst claimants. A Canadian Commissioner will sit with the United Kingdom Commission when Canadian claims are being considered.

Canadian citizens who have not informed the Department of External Affairs that they have a claim to property, rights or interest affected by nationalization and other expropriation measures in Yugoslavia are invited to advise the Department promptly. Application forms and instructions are being issued to all claimants whose claims may be admissible and who have previously communicated with the Department. The forms and instructions will also be sent to any other person or corporation who now wishes to submit a claim. All claims must be made to the Commission on the forms supplied and will be transmitted through the Department of External Affairs.

The Commission will consider only claims which reach it before April 30, 1951, except with special leave. Forms of application are required to be submitted to the Department of External Affairs in sufficient time in advance of this date.

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