

A MOST HARMONIOUS MEETING

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"It was agreed that the next meeting, which takes place in the spring, will be held in Ottawa on May 21, 22 and 23. I am sure that had Hon. Members of the House been in Paris they would have been very gratified if they had been attending the meetings...with the reaction of the delegates from the other member nations. They were simply delighted to be coming to Canada for this meeting, and I am sure we will all see to it that they get a warm welcome and that they leave Canada with as good an impression as they have of our country at the present time."

CF-104 SQUADRON TO FORM

The first CF-104 "Super Starfighter" squadron formed on schedule on December 17 in Germany. The unit, 427 "Lion" Squadron, is based at 3 Fighter Wing, Zweibrucken.

Flown to Europe in the holds of giant C-130B "Hercules" freighters of the Air Transport Command of the Royal Canadian Air Force, the Canadian-built supersonic aircraft started to arrive at the Air Division base on October 12.

Production of the sleek jets by Canadair Ltd., Montreal, training of the pilots to man the new Squadron and deliveries of aircraft to Europe have been dovetailed precisely into a programme developed two years in advance.

The 1500-mph "Super Starfighter" replace the F-86 "Sabre" in eight of the 12 squadrons in Europe and is serving in the Air Division's new strike-reconnaissance role. The four other squadrons flying CF-100 all-weather interceptors, will be disbanded in January 1963.

As each new CF-104 squadron is formed, it will assume the badge, number and honours of the "Sabre" unit it replaces.

The remainder of the CF-104 squadrons will be "activated" throughout 1963.

U.S. AMBASSADOR INSTALLED

Mr. W. Walton Butterworth recently presented to the Governor General his Letter of Credence as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of

the United States of America. Mr. A.E. Ritchie, Assistant Under-Secretary for External Affairs, and Mr. Esmond Butler, Secretary to the Governor General, were in attendance on the Governor General on this occasion.

The Ambassador was accompanied by the following members of the United States Embassy in Ottawa: Mr. Ivan B. White, Minister; Mr. Francis A. Linville, Counsellor; Mr. Rufus Z. Smith, Counsellor; Colonel Charles J. Parsons, Army Attaché; Colonel Clarence R. Webb, Air Attaché.

A Foreign Service Officer since 1928, Mr. Butterworth served a tour of duty at the United States Embassy in Ottawa in the early years of his career. He has also served in Singapore, Spain, Portugal and China. For seven years before the Second World War, he served in London, part of the time under President Kennedy's father, Joseph P. Kennedy, then United States Ambassador to Great Britain.

RCAF JET TRAINER NAMED

The name chosen by Air Marshal C.R. Dunlap, Chief of the Air Staff, for the new jet trainer of the Royal Canadian Air Force, the CT-114, is "Tutor". An order has been placed for 190 of the basic jet trainers, which are scheduled to enter service during 1964. The airframe will be built by Canadair Ltd., in Montreal, and the jet engine, the General Electric J-85, will be made by Orenda Engines Ltd., Malton, Ontario. The name is not new to the RCAF. It was used to designate the Avro 621 two-seater built in Britain and used in Canada in the thirties, adapted for Army co-operation training. These aircraft, later taken over by the non-permanent squadrons of the RCAF, were retired shortly before the Second World War.

Use of the "Tutor" will enable the RCAF to provide all-jet training for its student pilots, a practice already adopted by many other nations and recognized as more efficient and economical. Student pilots will be introduced at the beginning of their training to high-speed, high-altitude flight and will not have to undergo conversion training.

The machine, a "side-by-side", two-seat trainer, has a service ceiling of 43,000 feet and a wide speed range varying from 80 mph to a maximum of 488 mph in level flight at 30,000 feet. The latest safety features have been incorporated into the design.

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