

governments. Present exclusive licences, however, would continue to enjoy protection during the life of the exclusive licence.

Under the agreement Canada would be able to export products manufactured under a German patent to all signatory governments and would be entitled to apply for use of any German patent in all countries party to the agreement.

It was also recommended that, since there were claims to Canadian or other non-enemy interest in about 1,000 of the 4,800 odd German patents held in Canada, such patents be excluded from the terms of the Accord, pending disposition of individual cases.

It was also recommended that the Department of the Secretary of State assume responsibility for further review and completion of the work initiated by the interdepartmental committee.

(German Patents in Canada, report of Interdepartmental Committee, Dec. 14, 1946).

2. The Cabinet, after discussion, approved the report submitted by the interdepartmental committee and agreed that action be taken in accordance with the recommendations therein contained.

National Housing Corporation;  
amendment of regulations

3. The Minister of Reconstruction and Supply submitted a recommendation for amendment of regulations under the National Housing Act to provide for increases in the maximum amounts of joint loans available under the Act. This change had been made necessary by the increased cost of building.

Under the new regulations, joint loans for the construction of one family dwellings would not exceed \$7,000, and for the construction of multiple dwellings would not exceed \$4,400 per unit. Other consequential changes were also provided for and areas re-defined in categories for the purpose of determining credits to be made.

(Minister's submission to Council, undated, (P.C. 5238).)

4. The Cabinet, after discussion, approved the Minister's recommendation and agreed that an Order in Council be passed accordingly.

U.K. bacon contract; increase in price

5. The Minister of Agriculture, referring to the discussion at the meeting of December 12th, reported that, following discussions in London with

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