

Price control - article 5, page 6 providing for basic minimum and maximum prices to be fixed by the council from time to time. Until the convention is agreed to or by other countries which may participate, it is provided in paragraph 6 of the memorandum of agreement that it shall be fixed by unanimous consent between the five nations, and until so fixed shall be the last price negotiated by the United Kingdom for a bulk purchase of wheat from its principal country of supply.

Administration, which ultimately is to be by a council of one or more delegates from each contracting country, with a permanent secretary and if necessary an executive committee. In the meantime, until the full convention comes into force, administration shall be by equal representation of each of the five countries.

4. Establishment of a Czechoslovak Legation in Ottawa, statement by Prime Minister, July 17, 1942.

Right Hon. W.L. MACKENZIE KING (Prime Minister): The Canadian government has agreed to a proposal of the government of the Czechoslovak republic to enter into direct diplomatic relations with Canada by the opening of a legation of the Czechoslovak republic in Ottawa. Doctor Frantisek Pavlasek, who has represented his country as consul general of the Czechoslovak republic in Montreal since 1936, has been appointed by his government as the first Czechoslovak minister to Canada. I am sure that Doctor Pavlasek's promotion to the rank of Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary will be warmly welcomed by his many Canadian friends.

It is entirely fitting that a minister of the Czechoslovak republic should join the other ministers who have been appointed to represent in Canada the allied governments which are now in London. Nearly two years ago the Canadian government recognized the government which had been established in the United Kingdom under the presidency of Doctor Edward Benes. That government is recognized in a full sense as the government of the Czechoslovak republic and as being in its juridical position identical with the position of the other allied heads of states and governments in the United Kingdom. The governments of the United Kingdom and of the United States accredited ministers to the President of the Czechoslovak republic some time ago. While the Canadian government does not at present propose to accredit a Canadian minister to the president of the Czechoslovak republic in London, we are glad to receive a minister of the Czechoslovak republic in Ottawa. The question of the permanent exchange of ministers between the two countries is to be deferred until after the war.