

These suggestions do not deal with the general question of whether it would be preferable to limit our negotiations to 35,000 tons with which UNRRA is concerned rather than attempt recovery under military relief of the larger quantity of 43,000 tons. No doubt we shall have later the comments of the Department of Finance on this proposal.<sup>207</sup> I do not myself see why the two should be alternatives or why negotiations with UNRRA concerning the 35,000 tons should preclude negotiations with military relief concerning the 8,000 tons which UNRRA will not have received. If this is practicable, it would seem to be the best arrangement. As you point out we are paid in full for any supplies accepted by UNRRA, while if the supplies pass through military relief they enlarge the ultimate loss in which we have agreed to share to the extent of 8% and, in addition, the time of payment will be deferred. I cannot, however, understand how a claim against UNRRA should in any way constitute a waiver of our claim against military relief for supplies shipped from Canada to Greece during the military relief period but not taken over by UNRRA. Ends.

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Following for H. F. Angus, Department of External Affairs, Ottawa, from Bull, Begins: Reference your EX-820 of March 5th, the following letter is going forward to Wasson, Mutual Aid Board, from Weintraub, Acting Deputy Director General, UNRRA, covering procurement of Canadian wheat for Greece:

“This Administration has undertaken to assume full distribution and financial responsibility for relief supplies to Greece beginning 1st April, 1945. In accordance with this responsibility we have agreed that relief supplies arriving in Greece on and after the above date will be charged to this Administration by the military authorities and other agencies now delivering such supplies to Greece. This arrangement is necessary in order to assure a continued flow of supplies to Greece until this Administration has made the necessary arrangements to assume the entire responsibility for the procurement and shipping of all supplies programmed for Greece.

In this connection, it has been generally agreed that there should be no disruption in the present procedure and consignment to the Joint Relief Commission known as the ‘Commission de Gestion pour le Secours en Grèce.’ Under this procedure arrangements have been made to continue without

<sup>207</sup>Non trouvé.  
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