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Concerning Grant of \$350,000 Worth of Wheat to Burma
Under 1961-62 Colombo Plan Programme

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Howard Green, announced today that agreement had been reached to provide \$350,000 worth of Canadian wheat to Burma under Canada's Colombo Plan Programme for 1961-62. The Government of Burma has agreed to set aside counterpart funds in local currency equivalent to the value of this grant. These counterpart funds will be used for economic development projects in Burma to be agreed with the Government of Canada. This grant of wheat raises to \$1,600,000 the amount of wheat which Canada has made available to Burma under the Colombo Plan.