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There will, on the other hand, be a continuing need for great supplies of munitions and other equipment of special types, many of which have been invented and developed by Canadian Engineers and specialists and in some of which Canada is the only source of supply.

There is not only a continuing need for everything we have done in the production of foodstuffs to help feed the United Kingdom and the armed forces but this requirement has been very greatly increased by the needs of the liberated peoples of Europe.

Apart from all else, it is to our interests to help in every way the re-establishment of the peoples who have been broken in war. They have borne the shock which otherwise might have come to us in our own homeland. We must give them every assistance we can. What we do will be returned in ample measure when, in the years to come, we are again able to enjoy normal peaceful relations and renew our trade with them.

The general considerations which I have indicated require that, with the cessation of hostilities in Europe, we shall have to turn our efforts to a considerable extent from the operation of our Armed Forces to the maintenance of our war industry, and to the development of our contribution in foodstuffs, materials for reconstruction, relief and rehabilitation.