

APPENDICE E/APPENDIX E

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*Mémoire d'un accord entre le Canada et Terre-Neuve  
visant la concession de bases aériennes*

*Memorandum of Agreement between Canada and Newfoundland  
Respecting the Transfer of Air Bases*

St. John's, April 17, 1941

In order to arrange for effect to be given to the Agreement for the transfer of control of the air bases of the Government of Newfoundland at Newfoundland Airport, Gleneagles and Botwood to the Government of Canada, which had been reached in principle by telegraphic and other correspondence terminating on the 3rd day of April, 1941, meetings were held at the Newfoundland Airport on Monday the 7th, Tuesday the 8th and Wednesday the 9th days of April, 1941, and the following terms were agreed upon and have been submitted to and approved by the Governments of Canada and Newfoundland.

1. (1) Subject to the fundamental points set out in the succeeding paragraph and subject to such agreed arrangements with regard to specific activities as are hereinafter set forth and for purposes of defence, the Government of Newfoundland will transfer to the Government of Canada for the duration of the war the control of the Newfoundland Airport (as set out in the annexed plan) and of the seaplane bases situated at Botwood and Gleneagles, hereinafter referred to as the air bases; and the Government of Canada shall undertake in the place of the Government of Newfoundland the responsibility for the operation of the air bases.

(2) The responsibility for operation of the air bases to be assumed by the Canadian Government shall include normal air base facilities for trans-Atlantic movement of aircraft in accordance with established Air Ministry practice.

2. The Government of Canada agrees that:

(1) No part of the air bases shall be handed over to control of a third party without prior consent of the Newfoundland Government.

(2) No alterations shall be made in the existing layout of the air bases without prior consent of the Newfoundland Government.

(3) Any damage to the air bases other than extensive damage caused by enemy action, while such bases are controlled by the Government of Canada shall be repaired by the Government of Canada; provided that this obligation on the part of the Canadian Government shall not apply to works and buildings constructed at the cost of the Canadian Government.

(4) Control of the air bases shall be handed back to the Newfoundland Government on the termination of hostilities.