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Washington Economic Conference: Britain, the United States and Canada, on Monday, announced a 10-point programme which Sir Stafford Cripps was quoted as saying would bring Britain's dollar crisis under control and pave the way for her economic comeback. The programme announced includes steps to give Britain a freer hand in spending Marshall Plan dollars and opens the doors of Canada and the United States a bit wider for British goods. The aim is to permit Britain to earn more dollars and conserve those she has.

Canada, it was reported has a particular stake in one of the 10 proposals - to give Britain more freedom in the use of Marshall Plan dollars. Paul Hoffman, ECA Administrator said, in answer to a query at a press conference that this freedom would be extended to Canadian wheat which Britain must buy with her own earned dollars. He added that a detailed statement would be issued today.

In announcing their agreement, all three Governments reaffirmed that their plan of action is based on the "assumption that extraordinary aid from the North American continent would have to come to an end by the middle of 1952." This puts Britain and the other western European Governments on notice that the United States intends to end the Marshall Plan on schedule and that they must take immediate steps to become financially independent by then.

The 10-point programme, involves immediate trade concessions by the United States and Canadian Governments. Other points are in the form of promises by the two countries to review and consider changes in such economic policies as tariffs, shipping and general purchasing programmes.

Canada's Minister of Finance, Mr. Abbott, was quoted as saying yesterday that he felt great headway had been made at the Conference. Mr. Pearson left Washington, by train, for Ottawa, last night, and is to return to Washington for a meeting on September 17 of the Foreign Ministers of the Atlantic Pact countries.

(Based on CP and AP despatches).

Atomic Energy Security: It was announced in Ottawa, London and Washington on September 12 that in the interest of continued uniform application of measures for security of the atomic energy information which they hold in common, representatives of the Atomic Energy Agencies of Canada, the United Kingdom, and the United States will hold their third declassification meeting September 26-28 at the Canadian Atomic Energy Research Establishment at Chalk River, Ontario, Canada.

The three nations now use uniform declassification guides in determining what information arising from their atomic energy research and developmental work may be published and what information is to be kept classified and restricted in circulation. These uniform guides were developed at the first declassification meeting of the representatives of the three Governments in November, 1947, at Washington, D.C., and were revised at a second meeting held at Harwell, England, in September, 1948.

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