In the course of the proceedings, the following were distributed-

1. Copies of the Report on the Second Part of the First Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations held in New York (October 23-December 15, 1946);

2. Copies of the Annual Report of the Department of External Affairs.

Copies of the First Report of the Atomic Energy Commission to the Securities Council will be available shortly for distribution.

The Chairman announced a meeting of the Agenda Committee in his office at 2 o'clock this day.

At 12.45 the Committee adjourned at the call of the Chair.

TUESDAY, April 22, 1947.

The Standing Committee on External Affairs met at 10.30 o'clock a.m. Mr. Bradette, the Chairman, presided.

Present: Messrs. Beaudoin, Benidickson, Boucher, Bradette, Coldwell, Cote (Matapedia-Matane), Croll, Diefenbaker, Fleming, Fraser, Hackett, Jackman, Jaenicke, Knowles, Leger, Low, MacInnis, MacLean, Marquis, Mayhew, Mutch, Pinard, Sinclair (Ontario), Winkler.—(24)

In Attendance: Mr. Escott Reid, Chief of the second political division; Mr. R. G. Riddell, Chief of the first political division; and Mr. John K. Starnes, Department of External Affairs.

The Clerk informed the Chairman that the following had been mailed to the members of the Committee:

- 1. First Report of the United Nations to the Security Council on the Atomic Energy Commission;
- 2. Booklet on the Diplomatic Corps (High Commissioner and Consular Representatives in Ottawa).

The Committee proceeded to discuss in private its second report to the House which was referred back for further consideration.

The Chairman reported verbally on the deliberations of the Agenda Committee which recommended, among other things, to hear Mr. Escott Reid on the United Nations Organization, and, later at an appropriate time, General McNaughton on the Atomic Energy Commission—First Report to the Security Council.

After discussion on the subject matter of the Committee's second report to the House, the Committee agreed that the Chairman obtain forthwith an interview with the Secretary of State for External Affairs.

The Committee began its study of the Report of the Second Part of the Special session of the General Assembly of the United Nations.

Mr. Escott Reid was called at 11.15. He made a brief statement, was examined and retired. He was assisted by Mr. R. G. Riddell who was questioned on the relief needs of European countries (UNRRA) and retired.