

5. On questions of importance arising directly out of his Mission the Chairman shall have the right to communicate direct with the Prime Minister; on matters of less importance, or of departmental detail, he will communicate with the head of the Department or administrative branch concerned, either direct or through the representative of the Department or administrative branch in the United States.

6. The Chairman will keep His Majesty's High Commissioner and Special Ambassador at Washington generally informed of the main lines of his action and will request the Ambassador's advice or assistance whenever these may be required.

7. The Chairman shall be entitled to be informed on all negotiations between His Majesty's Government and the Government of the United States in so far as they affect Canada.

8. The Chairman shall further be empowered, under special direction from the Prime Minister and in complete conjunction with His Majesty's High Commissioner and Special Ambassador at Washington, to engage in negotiations with the Government of the United States relating to affairs which, while directly concerning Canada, may also affect the interests of the British Commonwealth as a whole.

9. (a) The Chairman may engage office accommodation and purchase such equipment as may be necessary, employ such staff and clerical and other assistants at such rates of remuneration as may be authorized by the Governor in Council, and the Chairman and other members of the Canadian War Mission shall be paid their expenses incurred in connection with the exercise of their duties hereunder.

(b) Such expenditures and the expenses generally of the Canadian War Mission shall be chargeable to the War Appropriation Vote.

The Committee concur in the foregoing and submit the same for approval.

36. *Le Gouverneur général à l'ambassadeur aux États-Unis*

PARAPHRASE OF TELEGRAM

Ottawa, February 2, 1918

SECRET. Canadian War Mission has been appointed by Canadian Government to look after Canadian affairs in United States. Lloyd Harris of Brantford is Chairman, a man of high business qualifications and formerly Member of Parliament, who will be directly responsible to Cabinet. Ambassador will be kept generally informed by Mission of main lines of action and when required Mission will request Ambassador's advice and assistance. Think arrangement will be quite satisfactory to H. M. Government and Ambassador.

Repeated to Colonial Office. Despatch follows.

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