CHAPITRE I/CHAPTER I

CONDUITE DES RELATIONS EXTÉRIEURES CONDUCT OF EXTERNAL RELATIONS

PARTIE 1/PART 1 REPRÉSENTATION DIPLOMATIQUE DIPLOMATIC REPRESENTATION

SECTION A GOUVERNEMENTS EN EXIL GOVERNMENTS-IN-EXILE

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Le secrétaire d'État aux Affaires extérieures au secrétaire aux Dominions Secretary of State for External Affairs to Dominions Secretary

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CONFIDENTIAL. His Majesty's Government in Canada propose to appoint a Minister to the Governments of the following Allied countries in London: Czechoslovakia, Greece, Norway, Poland and Yugoslavia. The intention is to accredit the same Minister to the five countries referred to and to Belgium and the Netherlands to succeed Mr. Jean Désy.

It is requested that the wishes of the Canadian Government be submitted for His Majesty's approval. When His Majesty's approval has been received, it is requested that each of the Governments of the first five countries referred to above be advised as follows: Quote

His Majesty's Government in Canada have come to the conclusion that it is desirable that the handling of matters at London relating to Canada should be confided to an Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary accredited to the Government of (name of country).

Such a Minister would be accredited by His Majesty the King to the (Head of State of country) and he would be furnished with credentials which would enable him to take charge of all affairs relating to Canada. He would be the ordinary channel of communication with the Government of (name of country) on these matters. The arrangements proposed would not denote any departure from the principle of the diplomatic unity of the Empire, that is to say, the principle of consultative cooperation amongst all His Majesty's representatives as amongst His Majesty's Governments themselves, in matters of common concern. The methods of dealing with matters which may arise concerning more