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to zee, or, if you will, from Aye to Zed, et aussi  
bien de A jusqu'a Zed. Our United States War Pro-  
duction Board has, in determining the allocation of  
critical war materials reviewed Canadian applications  
on precisely the same basis that it passes on appli-  
cations from our own domestic industry. Priorities  
have been granted with an even hand, irrespective of  
whether the application bore an Ontario or an Illinois  
postmark. For your part, you have poured your gigan-  
tic resources of vital raw materials into the common  
war pot, and the production record Americans are so  
proud of could not have been achieved without Canadian  
nickel, Canadian copper, Canadian aluminum, and many  
other crucial supplies. It has not been easy in  
certain respects for either of us. With shortages  
on all sides of us, in men and materials, there is  
the ever present natural tendency to see one's own  
problem writ large and the other fellow's writ small.  
In all honesty I can say to you, however, that our  
policy makers on both sides have hewed steadfastly  
to the tried and true maxim of "share and share alike."

In this process of working together as one great  
war factory we have proven once more the old adage that  
between friends money is never a consideration. We  
both use the dollar sign as a fiscal symbol, and we  
both know when to forget it. The contracts that the  
United States placed in Canada following Hyde Park not  
only took advantage of Canada's much earlier conversion  
to war production but, at the same time, contributed to  
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