

2^e PARTIE/PART 2VISITE DU PREMIER MINISTRE À WASHINGTON, LE 16 OCTOBRE 1957
VISIT OF PRIME MINISTER TO WASHINGTON, OCTOBER 16, 1957

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Extrait des conclusions du Cabinet
Extract from Cabinet Conclusions

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[Ottawa], October 19, 1957

Present:

The Prime Minister (Mr. Diefenbaker) in the Chair,
 The Minister of Public Works
 and Acting Minister of Defence Production (Mr. Green), (for morning meeting only)
 The Minister of Veterans Affairs (Mr. Brooks), (for morning meeting only)
 The Minister of Transport (Mr. Hees), (for morning meeting only)
 The Solicitor General (Mr. Balcer), (for morning meeting only)
 The Minister of National Defence (Mr. Pearkes),
 The Minister of Trade and Commerce (Mr. Churchill),
 The Minister of Justice
 and Acting Minister of Citizenship and Immigration (Mr. Fulton),
 The Minister of National Revenue (Mr. Nowlan),
 The Minister of Agriculture (Mr. Harkness),
 The Secretary of State (Mrs. Fairclough),
 The Minister of Fisheries (Mr. MacLean),
 The Minister of Labour (Mr. Starr), (for morning meeting only)
 The Postmaster General (Mr. William Hamilton), (for morning meeting only)
 The Minister without Portfolio (Mr. Macdonnell),
 The Minister of National Health and Welfare (Mr. Monteith),
 The Minister of Northern Affairs and National Resources (Mr. Alvin Hamilton),
 The Secretary of State for External Affairs (Mr. Smith),
 The Leader of the Government in the Senate (Senator Haig).
 The Secretary to the Cabinet (Mr. Bryce),
 The Assistant Secretaries to the Cabinet (Mr. Fournier), (Mr. Martin).

VISIT TO WASHINGTON; INTEGRATED CANADA-U.S. AIR DEFENCE COMMANDS;
REPORT BY PRIME MINISTER

1. *The Prime Minister* said his stay in Washington had been an interesting and useful one. The Queen's visit appeared to be successful, but the arrangements in Ottawa were patently quite superior to those made for her U.S. trip, a fact which had not escaped the notice of the Royal Household.

He had discussed a number of important matters with the President and with the Secretary of State. Several of those to whom he had spoken referred in warm terms to the manner in which Canadian Ministers attending the Joint Canada-U.S. Committee on Trade and Economic Affairs had conducted their side of the discussions.¹⁰ The Secretary of Commerce had apologized for the remark "we fixed 'em," which had been attributed to him in the press as he was emerging from one of the meetings.

The situation in the Middle East was very serious and was causing considerable concern in Washington as elsewhere. Syria had proposed inscription of a resolution on the U.N.

¹⁰ Voir/See Document 138.