The Chairman then asked the General Manager to report on capital commitments in respect to FM development. The General Manager reminded the Meeting that the Broadcasting Committee of the Dominion Cabinet had approved the first stage of the CBC's technical expansion plan, and that in pursuance of such plan he had made preliminary arrangements for the purchase of transmitters. It was now necessary, he said, to seek specific authorization for the purchase of such transmitters by way of Order-in-Council.

be approved.

A letter from Dr. Trueman dated May 25, 1946 regarding his retirement as a member of the Board was noted by the Board with regret.

The Chairman then brought up for discussion the situation in Verdun. It was noted that there seemed to be considerable opposition to the present licensee, Mr. Jack Tietolman, who is scheduled to commence operation with CKVL in August, 1946. Such opposition had been supported by petitions bearing the signatures of several thousand citizens, which had been submitted recently by R. E. MacKay, an unsuccessful applicant for a license in the Verdun area. The Chairman pointed out that at the time Mr. MacKay had applied for a license the Board had already recommended to the licensing authority approval of Mr. Tietolman's application. This recommendation was re-affirmed by the Board when the question was referred back for reconsideration. In noting the petition, the Board agreed that in the light of the above circumstances, it should take no action, and that the petitions should be returned to Mr. Mackay. The Board also noted the publicity accorded to Station CKVL by two Verdun newspapers on that station's proposed religious programs, which called for a division of broadcasts between the French and English-speaking populations.

The Meeting adjourned at 12.40 p.m.

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