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The Department of External Affairs announced today that in accordance with arrangements made between the Canadian and United States Governments before Christmas, a meeting was held on January 4 at which representatives of the United States Government interviewed Mr. Igor Gouzenko. The meeting was presided over by Chief Justice James C. McRuer of the High Court of Ontario, who presided at the request of the Canadian Government. The United States Government was represented by His Excellency the United States Ambassador to Canada, Mr. R. Douglas Stuart, Senator William 4. Jenner, Senator Pat McCarran and Mr. J.G. Sourwine. Mr. D.W. Mundell, Q.C., represented the Attorney General of Canada. Representatives of the Departments of Justice and External Affairs and of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police were also present at the meeting.