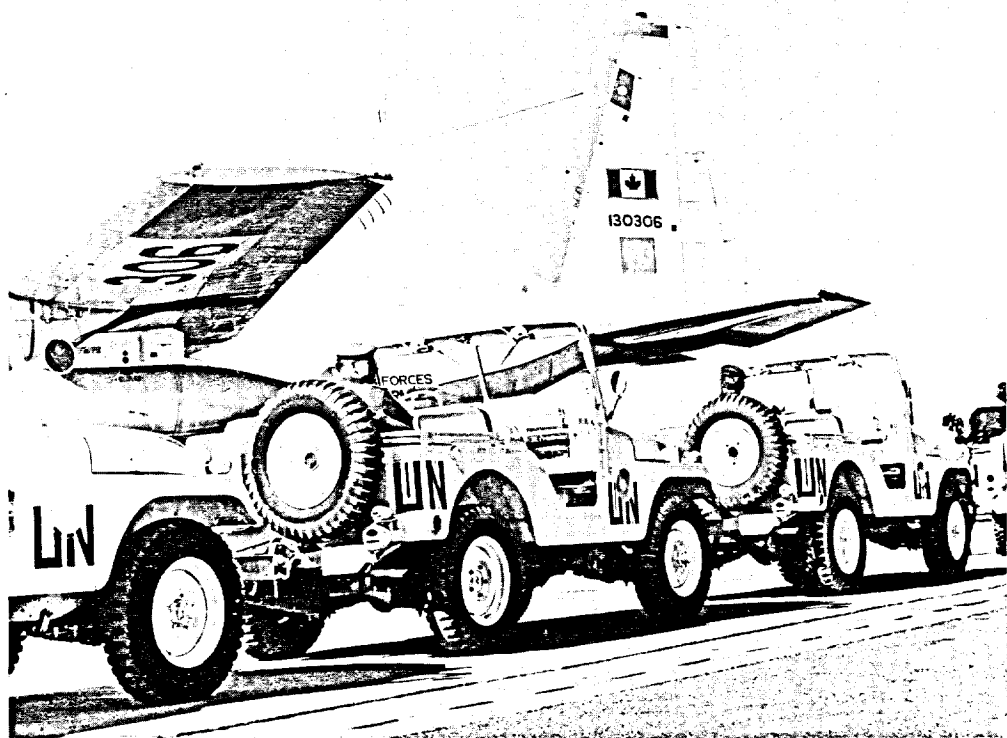


concerning a possible Canadian port development adjacent to the U.S.-leased naval station at Argentia, Newfoundland.

Other matters of active interest relating to North American defence are the future closing of the Long-Range Navigation (LORAN) stations in the Baffin Bay area and the disposal of the Haines-Fairbanks oil pipeline. During 1973, studies were undertaken to determine whether the continued operation of the pipeline was material to the current defence interests of North America and remained an economic proposition. As an ongoing function, the Department co-ordinates Canadian co-operation with the U.S. pertaining to the various research activities that assist in maintaining the defence preparedness of North America.

Defence liaison

In addition to providing a senior officer to fill the post of Deputy-Commandant of the National Defence College, the Department gives advisory and administrative assistance to the Department of National Defence in its external relations falling outside the direct interests of NORAD and NATO. These include visits abroad by senior National Defence personnel, naval visits, and overflights and landings of Canadian military aircraft overseas, as well as the Annual World Field Study conducted by the National Defence College. Similarly, the Department assisted in 1973 with visits to Canada by representatives of various branches of the armed forces of other countries.



Canada provided logistics, communications and air support for new UNEF in the Middle East in October. Here jeeps arrive for desert duty. (Can. Forces Photo)