

Imports in December from the United States rose significantly, advancing by 11.6 per cent to \$316,700,000 from \$283,900,000 in the same month of 1960. Included in the 1961 total were some \$10,800,000 of defence imports of aircraft from the United States, which are being financed under mutual defence arrangements. Arrivals from the United Kingdom in December were fractionally less, being valued at \$46,800,000 versus \$47,100,000, while those from the rest of the Commonwealth increased by 11.3 per cent to \$19,700,000 from \$17,700,000. December 1961 imports from all other countries rose by 8.3 per cent to \$88,300,000 from \$81,500,000.

Commodity imports for the year 1961 were estimated at \$5,794,500,000, the highest ever recorded, and a 5.5 per cent increase above the 1960 total of \$5,492,300,000. Advances were made in imports from each of the four main geographic regions. Part of the increased value is, however, a reflection of the difference in the exchange value of the Canadian dollar.

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### FISHERIES PATROL AUGMENTED

A new fisheries patrol craft, 95 feet in length and costing about \$774,000, will be built this year by Victoria Machinery Depot, Limited, Victoria, British Columbia. The twin-screw vessel, capable of a cruising range of 1,200 nautical miles at 14 knots and faster speeds when required, is powered by four marine engines.

When completed, the vessel will join the fleet of the Department of Fisheries operating off British Columbia. She is built to withstand heavy sea and weather conditions. She will be equipped with modern navigation and communications equipment, and will thus be capable of search and rescue operations.

The length of the vessel will be 95 feet 3 inches; the breadth, 19 feet 11 inches, with the depth 10 feet 7 inches. She will have a draft of six feet five inches.

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### AIR EQUIPMENT FOR ITALY

Mr. Raymond O'Hurley, Minister of Defence Production, has announced that the Republic of Italy will purchase in Canada flight simulators of the F-104G Lockheed "Starfighter" aircraft. Confirmation has been received from Italy by the Canadian Commercial Corporation, together with commitment of funds necessary for the immediate commencement of work.

The value of the Italian order is estimated at approximately \$2 million. The simulators will be built by Canadian Aviation Electronics Ltd., Montreal, under contract with the Canadian Commercial Corporation. Technical and administrative supervision of the programme will be the responsibility of officers of the Royal Canadian Air Force and the Department of Defence Production, who are exercising the same functions with respect to the Canadian, German,

Netherlands and Belgian simulator programmes that were placed with Canadian Aviation Electronics in the summer of 1960.

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and conciliation can be strengthened. Considerable resources of member states and of the Secretariat can be more effectively employed.

"Finally, it is imperative to apply Charter principles and provisions according to a single United Nations standard. This underlies any hope the nations can have of strengthening their international organization in future. It implies that all member states will be willing, in promoting the cause of peace on the widest possible front, to reconcile national and regional interests with that common cause and to provide sufficient support - political, moral and financial - to ensure that the United Nations can pursue its purpose without faltering.

### ADAPTING THE ORGANIZATION

"I believe that there is a growing awareness of the grave dangers which could result from allowing the United Nations to falter or collapse. I hope that this sense of responsibility will crystallize in a determination on the part of its members to adapt the United Nations to the essential demands of our time. In this way, even in the vastly changed circumstances of the Sixties, the United Nations may succeed in the pursuit of those purposes and principles which the Charter of 1945 prescribed and which today remain among the highest aspirations of all mankind.

"Outside the United Nations, in a variety of ways, the hand of fellowship operates on a global scale. The Colombo Plan, the French programme of assistance to the French Community in Africa, the immense United States capital and technical assistance operations, the British Government continuing aid to its remaining and former colonies, the Israel Technical Assistance Programme, whereby scientific and managerial enterprises are made available to under-developed countries - all of these are brotherhood translated into reality.

"Do these programmes really suggest that inside and outside the United Nations there is emerging a sense of community which, however informally it is used, would make meaningful the phrase 'I am a citizen of mankind'?

"The race is now on between the achievement of human understanding and the explosive forces of fear and ignorance. The future of mankind hinges on this race. Moreover, this understanding must cover two great chasms: the ideological one between the Soviet and non-Soviet world, and the living-standards gulf between the southern and northern peoples. The means at our disposal for building bridges here are not the same in each case, although the most cohesive force available for all of these bridges is 'Brotherhood'."