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No. 2040. From Ralston to the Prime Minister, Begins:

Your telegram No. 1910, December 6th just received. On enquiry find that press despatch was purely shot in the dark without any authoritative foundation. Have had no direct conferences yet with Ministers other than Granborne, but Grerar reports to me that in his talks with the staff, impression that he gets is that there is very little likelihood of such a proposal being put forward. Have already discussed with MeNaughton and Grerar who would be against such a disposition unless new strategic developments arose which demonstrated it to be necessary. Will be meeting the

Minister this week and will have views and considerations mentioned in your telegram fully in mind. Much improved. Ends.

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