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The Department of External Affairs announced today the Canadian Government's agreement to the relocation at Namao, Alta., of the Strategic Air Command refuelling mission now stationed at Cold Lake, 4lta. The move was occasioned by a fire early in the spring of 1963 which destroyed the industrial building supporting the SAC refuelling operation at Cold Lake and will be carried out this summer. The necessary support at Namao will be provided by the RCAF.

The use of the facilities at Cold Lake and Namao by SAC refuelling aircraft is covered by an agreement made on June 20, 1958 between the governments of the United States and Canada.