43. *Colonial Secretary to Governor General*

TELEGRAM   London, August 4, 1914

Please communicate to your Ministers following message from His Majesty the King and publish: I desire to express to my people of the Overseas Dominions with what appreciation and pride I have received the messages from their respective Governments during the last few days. These spontaneous assurances of their fullest support recalled to me the generous self-sacrificing help given by them in the past to the Mother Country. I shall be strengthened in the discharge of the great responsibilities which rest upon me by the confident belief that in this time of trial my Empire will stand united, calm, resolute, trusting in God. GEORGE R.I.

HARCOURT

44. *Governor General to Colonial Secretary*

TELEGRAM   Ottawa, August 4, 1914

Following for the King: In the name of the Dominion of Canada I humbly thank Your Majesty for your gracious message of approval. Canada stands united from the Pacific to the Atlantic in her determination to uphold the honour and tradition of our Empire.

ARTHUR

45. *Governor General to Colonial Secretary*

TELEGRAM   Ottawa, August 4, 1914

SECRET.   Please communicate following to War Office: Great exhibition of genuine patriotism here. When inevitable fact transpires that considerable period of training will be necessary before Canadian troops will be fit for European war, this ardour is bound to be dampened somewhat. In order to minimize this, I would suggest that any proposal from you should be accompanied by the assurance that Canadian troops will go to the front as soon as they have reached sufficient standard of training.

ARTHUR

46. *Colonial Secretary to Governor General*

TELEGRAM   London, August 4, 1914

SECRET.   Though there seems to be no immediate necessity for any request on our part for an expeditionary force from Canada, I think, in view of their generous offer, your Ministers would be wise to take all legislative and other steps by which they would be enabled without delay to provide such a force in case it should be required later.

HARCOURT