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CABINET CONCLUSIONS

A meeting of the Cabinet was held on Thursday, August 3rd, 1950, in the Privy Council Chamber at 3 o'clock.

Present:

The Prime Minister (Mr. St-Laurent),  
in the Chair,  
The Minister of Trade and Commerce  
(Mr. Howe),  
The Honourable J.A. MacKinnon,  
The Minister of National Defence  
(Mr. Claxton),  
The Minister of National Health and  
Welfare and Acting Minister of Labour  
(Mr. Martin),  
The Minister of National Revenue and  
Minister of Mines and Technical Surveys  
(Dr. McCann),  
The Minister of Veterans Affairs (Mr. Gregg),  
The Minister of Fisheries (Mr. Mayhew),  
The Secretary of State for External Affairs  
(Mr. Pearson),  
The Minister of Justice (Mr. Garson),  
The Solicitor General (Mr. Lapointe),  
The Minister of Citizenship and Immigration  
(Mr. Harris).

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The Secretary to the Cabinet  
(Mr. Robertson),  
W.R. Wright, Privy Council Office.  
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Civil defence; proposed conference with the  
provinces

1. The Minister of National Defence said that it was desirable that a conference on civil defence be held between provincial and federal authorities. As a large number of the Attorneys General represented the provinces in matters of civil defence, the meeting of the Continuing Committee of Attorneys General called for August 21st, 1950, seemed a suitable time to hold such a conference. A letter to the Attorneys General was submitted and read issuing an invitation along these lines.

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