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19. The Cabinet approved in principle proposed amendments to the Northern Pacific Halibut Fishery (Convention) Act, 1937, as recommended by the Minister of Fisheries; a draft measure to be prepared accordingly, and to include an indication of Parliamentary approval of the new Halibut Fishery Convention signed by Canadian and U.S. representatives on March 2nd, 1953.

Export Credits Insurance; contract with the Canada-Israel Corporation

20. The Minister of Trade and Commerce recommended that the Export Credits Insurance Corporation be authorized to enter into a contract of insurance with the Canada-Israel Corporation providing a maximum insurance liability of \$5 million.

21. In the course of discussion, it was pointed out that the proposed contract of insurance involved a liability for an amount in excess of that which the Export Credits Insurance Corporation would normally undertake in relation to any one exporter or country, but that it was expected that approximately \$8 million of Canadian sales would be made annually to Israel through the Canada-Israel Corporation.

22. The Cabinet agreed that the Export Credits Insurance Corporation be authorized to enter into a contract of insurance with the Canada-Israel Corporation covering shipments, during the period April 1st, 1953 to March 31st, 1954, of capital and consumer goods purchased for Israel in Canada, the rate of premium to be $1\frac{1}{2}$ percent of the gross invoice value of shipments covered by the policy and the maximum liability under the policy not to exceed \$5 million; an Order in Council to be passed accordingly.

(Order in Council P.C. 1953-423, March 19).

Income Tax Short Forms for 1952; incorrect tax calculations

23. The Minister of National Revenue, referring to discussion at the meeting of March 5th, said it had been estimated roughly that perhaps one million of the two and a half million persons using the T-1 Short Form might make an incorrect calculation, that the average loss of revenue in such cases would be \$1.65 and that the total loss of revenue would thus be approximately \$1,650,000.

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