

In paragraph 6, the following sentence has been inserted after the second sentence ending "transmitted with it" as follows: "In these negotiations any special problems which may arise in connection with the entry of Newfoundland into Confederation will, I am sure, receive most careful consideration."

Accept etc.

PAUL A. BRIDLE

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*Le Premier ministre au secrétaire, la Ligue pour
le gouvernement responsable de Terre-Neuve
Prime Minister to Secretary, Responsible
Government League of Newfoundland*

TELEGRAM

Ottawa, July 30, 1948

Your telegram of July 29 setting forth the request of the Responsible Government League that the Canadian Government should receive a delegation representing the League has been carefully considered.

In considering this request, account has been taken of the fact that, from the moment steps were first taken to decide upon the future government of Newfoundland, the Canadian government has at no time intervened in any way in the determination of the procedure to be followed in Newfoundland.

The delegation from the National Government [Convention] which came to Ottawa last year was received at the request of the Commission of Government. Having regard for the course thus far followed and for the democratic process which has been adopted to ascertain the views of the people of Newfoundland as a whole, the government of Canada is of the opinion that before receiving any delegation it should be similarly authorized by the duly constituted authorities of Newfoundland.

W. L. MACKENZIE KING

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*Mémoire du sous-secrétaire d'État aux Affaires extérieures
au Premier ministre
Memorandum from Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs
to Prime Minister*

SECRET

Ottawa, July 30, 1948

NEWFOUNDLAND

I am sending you herewith a report from Mr. MacKay about his recent visit to Newfoundland. That visit was short and crowded. Mr. MacKay, however, seems