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MESSAGE FORM

PART ONE OF
NUMBER TWO.

Apr. 8 1941.

TO: POWER

FROM: GIBSON NEWFOUNDLAND.

SECRET. NO.2. Text of proposed Agreement continues as follows. Text Begins. 3.

It is agreed that as from the date of the transfer of control of the air bases H.A.L. Pattison will cease to have general charge of administration of the air bases, but that he or some other person employed by the Newfoundland Government will be employed by the Newfoundland Government as Liaison Officer between the Newfoundland Government, R.C.A.F. and the Air Ministry; and it is understood that the Liaison Officer will continue to direct the Air Ministry wireless organization in Newfoundland.

4. It is understood and agreed that the Air Ministry wireless organization and equipment will be available for all purposes connected with aviation, but that the control thereof will be retained for the duration of the war by the Air Ministry which will have first call on its use at all times. The Canadian Government will provide the power and heat required by the wireless organization, will repair ordinary wear and tear of the buildings occupied by the organization, will keep open the roads thereto and will provide messing facilities and quarters for members of the staff, provided the U.K. Government will reimburse the Canadian Government for as much of the cost thereby incurred by that Government as shall not exceed in any year the sum of \$25,000.00.

5. The Atlantic Ferry Organization of the Ministry of Aircraft Production, its servants and agents, shall continue to have at the Newfoundland Airport and other bases the status of an operating company and shall be allowed to provide itself at these bases (at its own expense as to construction and maintenance) with such buildings and other facilities as the Newfoundland and Canadian Governments may agree to be reasonably required. Part one ends. Part two begins.

6. The Government of Canada shall assume and discharge any obligations of the Government of Newfoundland to another Government including the provision of ground accommodation for trans-Atlantic flights, if such obligations arise out of the Ottawa negotiations of 1933.

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