

Canadian Government will give speedy consideration to any telegram received pursuant to the special arrangements you have described. Our views will be telegraphed to you and to Prime Ministers of the Dominions as quickly as possible.

Only Canadian representative in Far East is Chargé d'Affaires in Tokyo. Because of cypher difficulties it is not feasible to instruct him to report to all the authorities mentioned in Circular Telegram M. 320. He will, however, be instructed to report immediately to Ottawa any information regarding a Japanese move of the kind mentioned in your telegram.

The Canadian Government, on receipt of such information from the Chargé d'Affaires or from any other source, will report it immediately in the manner, and to the Governments and persons, set out in your telegram—unless it is absolutely clear that the information has already been circulated by some other Government or authority.

I should be glad to receive confirmation of our understanding that Canadian Government is not (repeat not) expected to acknowledge receipt of the warning message mentioned in paragraph 3 of Circular Telegram M.320.

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Le secrétaire aux Dominions au secrétaire d'État aux Affaires extérieures
Dominions Secretary to Secretary of State for External Affairs

TELEGRAM 190

London, November 1, 1941

SECRET. Your telegram of October 27th, No. 218. We are grateful for cooperation of His Majesty's Government in Canada. Understanding in your last paragraph is confirmed.

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Le chargé d'affaires au Japon au secrétaire d'État aux Affaires extérieures
Chargé d'Affaires in Japan to Secretary of State for External Affairs

TELEGRAM 211

Tokyo, November 17, 1941

The Diet session opened today in a tense political atmosphere. Both Premier and Minister for Foreign Affairs reiterated the usual complaints against encirclement, being misunderstood and interference of third powers in China. The tone of speeches was far from conciliatory.