

consideration in the extension of our diplomatic relations. In his opinion, Colombia, with the exception of Brazil, will develop more rapidly in the next ten years than any other Latin America country. We already have a considerable stake in Colombia in the Royal Bank and the Imperial Oil Company.

3. In the course of the last few years, both countries have made numerous and very pressing requests for exchanging diplomatic representatives with this country. Further delay in establishing diplomatic relations will cause offence.

4. I suggest, therefore, that we inform both countries that we would welcome now their diplomatic representatives on the understanding that we would not reciprocate before 1948.

5. We know that the Government of Colombia would be prepared to accept the dual accreditation of Canadian representation to Colombia and Venezuela. If you consider that this would be a desirable solution in view of our shortage of trained personnel, we could make enquiries as to the reaction of the Government of Venezuela to this plan.<sup>11</sup>

L.B. P[EARSON]

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*Note de la Troisième direction politique  
pour le sous-secrétaire d'État aux Affaires extérieures*

*Memorandum from Third Political Division  
to Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs*

Ottawa, September 5, 1947

#### RE ESTABLISHMENT OF URUGUAYAN LEGATION IN OTTAWA

Our Chargé d'Affaires in Buenos Aires has telegraphed us that he has received a note from the Uruguayan Ambassador to the Argentine informing him that the Uruguayan Government proposes to accredit Senor Don Cesarous Montero Bustamante as Minister to Canada and requesting the agrément of the Canadian Government.

2. You will recall that Mr. Chipman by our telegram of June 17, 1947, was instructed to reply to the request of the Uruguayan Government for an exchange of diplomatic missions along the following lines:

"The Canadian Government would welcome the establishment of a Uruguayan diplomatic mission in Ottawa on the understanding that a Canadian diplomatic mission in Montevideo would be established as soon as conveniently possible, but that the Canadian Government could give no assurances at this time with regard to the date of the establishment of such a mission."

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<sup>11</sup>Note marginale:/Marginal note:

Mr. [W.L.M.] King has agreed. St. L[aurant]