

The Prime Minister after consulting Cabinet indicated that the following questions (insofar as this was consistent with limitations imposed by the President's health) should be discussed with the President or Mr. Dulles: Trade Problems; Link Between Trade and Canada's Defence Effort; Sovereignty Questions in Northern Canada; General US-Canada Relations; Proposal for a Joint Ministerial Committee on Defence Matters. The Department informed the Departments of Finance, Defence, Trade and Commerce, Agriculture, and the Bank of Canada and Secretary to the Cabinet (with a copy for information to Prime Minister's Office) of the Prime Minister's wishes concerning subjects to be discussed.

The USSEA, at the request of American Division, agreed that a small departmental committee be set up to co-ordinate preparation of background papers on some or all of the following topics (1) Examination of Canada-US Relations; (2) Examination of Particular Points of Irritation including: seaward territorial limits; wheat marketing; minerals; interchange and export of energy including oil, natural gas, hydroelectric power; tariff objectives; control of policy of foreign-owned corporations; defence procurement and construction; (3) Examination of Matters of General World Concern. A copy of the Briefing Book prepared for this visit of President Eisenhower is appended (see attachment "B").

Following discussions between USSEA and the US Ambassador in Ottawa, it was agreed that the following types of talks could take place during the Presidential visit:

- (1) President and the Prime Minister accompanied by Mr. Dulles and Mr. Smith as well as the two respective Ambassadors. (As the programme finally worked out, it seems that two such meetings of approximately one hour's length each were held);
- (2) President to attend a meeting of the Cabinet for about half an hour;
- (3) Secretary of State Dulles and SSEA Mr. Smith to meet for 2 hours in the afternoon of July 10. (Also attending were Ministers of Public Works, Finance, National Defence, Trade and Commerce, Northern Affairs and Natural Resources, Agriculture and Defence Production. In attendance were the two respective Ambassadors and several senior US and Canadian officials.) Subjects to be discussed were defence and defence production and the Columbia River and Alaska Problems (see attachments "C-1" and "C-2" which are the minutes of the July 10 discussions);
- (4) Secretary of State Dulles and SSEA Mr. Smith to meet for 2 hours in the afternoon of July 9 to discuss matters of general world concern. (During the first hour of this meeting the USSEA and the Assistant USSEAs were present; for the second hour the above-noted persons were joined by the heads of a number of political and functional divisions of the Department.)