

a single network of radar apparatus and communications is being developed in co-operation with the United States; about one quarter of this network will be in Canada.

To meet the possibility of attack by airborne troops, the Canadian Army has a specially trained airborne brigade group.

Ships and installations are being constructed to permit the Navy to discharge its role of protecting coastal sea-lanes and approaches, and the RCAF is building up a number of maritime squadrons for anti-submarine work.

Civil defence organizations have been set up by most of the provincial governments, and many municipalities are taking action; the first nationwide staff course in civil defence is now in progress in Hull, Quebec.

In support of United Nations action in Korea, Canada sent three destroyers, provided an air transport squadron to take part in the airlift to the Far East, and enlisted the Canadian Army Special Force, one unit of which is in Korea.

Western Europe is, in the view of this and other allied governments, the vital centre of our global defence.

Developments in the North Atlantic Treaty Organization have been rapid; the planning and administrative units of the Organization have been and are being simplified.

The training in Canada of army officers and aircrew from NATO countries has commenced, and a further offer to increase training facilities is being made; these facilities will provide training for over 3,000 aircrew, including Canadian, per year.

United Kingdom-type armament and ammunition for one division, offered to NATO, has been supplied to the Netherlands. The offer of the equipment for another division has been made.

Canada has supplied 25-pounder guns for an artillery regiment being raised in Luxembourg.

An order is being placed for 50,000 platoon walkie-talkie wireless sets, 45,000 of which are intended for other NATO countries.

If Parliament approves, it is proposed to place elements of the Canadian Army in the integrated Western European force.

It is Canada's plan to have in the integrated force an air division of eleven squadrons at full-fighting strength equipped with F-86E and Canuck aircraft.

The Royal Canadian Navy will participate with Britain and the United States in anti-submarine and escort work across the North Atlantic; plans provide for nearly a hundred ships, with double the Navy's present personnel, for these purposes.