

These documents were not ready to table when the house prorogued at the end of last session. I now table dominion and provincial submissions and plenary conference discussions of the dominion-provincial conferences for 1945 and 1946, as requested by the leader of the opposition. I am informed that on November 2, 1945, all correspondence on this subject was tabled up to October 1, 1945. There is a certain volume of correspondence between that date and the date of the budget which is largely concerned with matters of detail, and has little relevance to the situation established as a result of the failure to reach agreement at the plenary sessions of the conference from April 29 to May 3, 1946. I am not tabling that correspondence, but it can be made available to anyone who may wish to see it.

I should like to add to the correspondence I tabled yesterday a letter which was received by the Minister of Finance, dated January 27, 1947, from Mr. Duplessis, premier of Quebec. My colleague the Minister of Finance (Mr. Abbott) referred Mr. Duplessis' letter to me, and I wrote Mr. Duplessis on January 30, which was yesterday. I had written the letter before I came into the house but I had not signed it, and was therefore not in a position to table it. However I now table the two communications so that they may be added to the correspondence tabled yesterday.

Mr. JOHN BRACKEN (Leader of the Opposition): Mr. Speaker, with respect to the matter mentioned by the Prime Minister, the tabling of documents in connection with discussions arising out of dominion-provincial matters, I wonder if he would look into the documents tabled yesterday so as to be sure that all are there. I was not aware this was coming up today, or I would have checked more carefully before speaking. However, after only a hurried glance through the documents I recall seeing only one brief letter from the premier of British Columbia. I am under the impression that there must have been considerable correspondence of one kind or another. I am not positive that there is only one letter, but that is my recollection. Will the Prime Minister have this checked to see if there is anything lacking?

Mr. MACKENZIE KING: I shall be happy to do so. I must necessarily in these matters rely upon officials in the several departments. I was told, and told again today, that the documents I tabled yesterday covered all that was substantial in any way or of any real relevance. However I shall look into the matter further.

DIPLOMATIC INSTRUMENTS RELATING TO INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS

Right Hon. L. S. ST. LAURENT (Secretary of State for External Affairs): Mr. Speaker, I beg leave to table twenty-nine diplomatic instruments relating to international agreements. I hold in my hand a list which is descriptive of those twenty-nine agreements, and I have no doubt it would meet the convenience of hon. members to have the list appear on *Hansard*:

LIST OF DIPLOMATIC INSTRUMENTS ATTACHED HERETO WITH A VIEW TO THEIR TABLING IN PARLIAMENT

I

(English and French Editions)

1. Exchange of notes with France, concerning the release of private property from government control. Signed at Ottawa, February 12, March 22, 23 and 27, and April 3, 1946. (Treaty Series, 1946, No. 16.)
2. Protocol to prolong the international sanitary convention 1944 modifying the international sanitary convention of 1926. Signed at Washington, April 23, 1946. (Treaty Series, 1946, No. 23.)
3. Protocol to prolong the international sanitary convention for aerial navigation 1944 modifying the international sanitary convention for aerial navigation of April 12, 1933. Signed at Washington, April 23, 1946. (Treaty Series, 1946, No. 24.)

II

(English edition only; the French edition will be tabled as soon as available)

4. Financial agreement with Belgium, with an exchange of notes. Signed at Ottawa, October 25, 1945. (Treaty Series, 1945, No. 22.)
5. Financial agreement with Czechoslovakia. Signed at Ottawa, March 1, 1945. (Treaty Series, 1945, No. 25.)
6. Financial agreement with Norway, with an exchange of notes. Signed at Ottawa, June 25, 1945. (Treaty Series, 1945, No. 27.)
7. Financial agreement with the Netherlands, with an exchange of notes. Signed at Ottawa, May 1, 1945. (Treaty Series, 1945, No. 28.)
8. Agreement with Czechoslovakia, amending the financial agreement concluded between the two countries on the 1st March, 1945. Signed at Ottawa, June 26, 1945. (Treaty Series, 1945, No. 29.)
9. Agreement between Canada, the United Kingdom, Australia, New Zealand, the Union of South Africa and India, and the Soviet Union, relating to prisoners of war and civilians liberated by allied armies. Signed in the Crimea, February 11, 1945. (Treaty Series, 1945 No. 30.)
10. Financial agreement with the Netherlands Indies, with an exchange of notes. Signed at Ottawa, October 9, 1945. (Treaty Series, 1945, No. 31.)
11. Exchange of notes with Newfoundland constituting an agreement for the training in Canada of ex-service personnel of Newfoundland. Signed at St. John's, Newfoundland, February 14/27, 1946. (Treaty Series, 1946, No. 11.)