

the recommendations of the P.J.B.D. I hope that at an early date we will be in a position to reply to the State Department note.

2. We have informed the State Department that it is likely that we would wish to make the substance of the agreement public once full agreement had been reached. I think you will agree that it would be unnecessary to make public the actual texts of the exchange of notes and the memorandum of June 5th. Please indicate your wishes on this point.

3. The State Department memorandum of July 6th, the text of which was contained in my WA-2748 of the same date, will not be withdrawn. It should simply be marked for file with a notation to the effect that it was superseded by the State Department note of November 5th.

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au secrétaire d'État aux Affaires extérieures*

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TELEGRAM WA-3899

Washington, November 5, 1951

CONFIDENTIAL. IMPORTANT.

Reference: My WA-3898 of November 5th.

APPLICATION OF NATO FORCES AGREEMENT TO NEWFOUNDLAND
LEASED BASES

Following is the text of the Department of State note, dated November 5th, 1951, referred to in my teletype under reference, Begins: I have the honor to refer to the Canadian Embassy's memorandum of June 5, 1951,[†] in which the Canadian Government suggested that the provisions of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization Status of Forces Agreement should be made applicable to all United States forces in Canada including those at the leased bases and at Goose Bay, and that as a consequence the provisions of the Leased Bases Agreement of March 27, 1941 which deal with matters covered in the NATO Status of Forces Agreement would be in suspense so long as the NATO Status of Forces Agreement remained in force between Canada and the United States.

In common with the Government of Canada, the United States Government would wish the NATO Status of Forces Agreement to apply to all United States forces throughout Canada, including those at the leased bases, when, pursuant to Article 18, the NATO Status of Forces Agreement has come into effect in respect of both Canada and the United States. As the Canadian Government is aware, however, the United States Government attaches great importance to the maintenance of certain arrangements at the leased bases under the Leased Bases Agreement of 1941, as it may be modified as a result of the recommendations of March 30, 1950 by the Permanent Joint Board on Defense. These arrangements concern the opera-