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**MEMORANDUM**

**CABINET WAR COMMITTEE**

**Re: Exit permits for wives of  
Canadian officers stationed overseas**

The Acting Minister of National Defence for Naval Services wishes to place before Cabinet War Committee a suggestion from the President of the Royal Canadian Air Force Benevolent Fund that permission be granted Mrs. L.B. Broadner, wife of Air Marshal Broadner, to proceed to England to carry out certain work for the fund.

It is represented that consideration is being given to establishing a Committee in the United Kingdom for the fund to take care of dependents of R.C.A.F. personnel in that country and also the appointment of special committees for raising funds and handling claims. In addition there is the question of properly organizing arrangements for the despatch and follow up of letters respecting casualties to dependents residing in the United Kingdom in accordance with the practice adopted there this year. Air Vice Marshal Hain, President of the fund, suggests that Mrs. Broadner would be a very competent person to undertake this work, and the Chief of the Air Staff is fully in accord with the proposal.

Mr. Macdonald has approved the suggestions made in this respect.

This matter relates to the general question of exit permits for wives of Canadian servicemen overseas which was discussed in Cabinet War Committee on September 22nd, 1944, but on which consideration was deferred in the absence of the Minister of National Defence for Air.

A.D.P. Heeney,  
Secretary.

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