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To: The Deputy Minister of National Defense for
Naval Services, Ottawa.

Upon receipt of your letter of November 15, I took up with Mr. J. D. Hickerson, Secretary of the United States Section, Canada - United States Permanent Joint Board on Defense, the question of the status of the Loran stations at Deming and Basearo Point, N.S. I now enclose for your information a copy of his reply.

You will observe that Admiral Johnson, U.S. Naval Member of the Board, to whom Mr. Hickerson referred the matter, takes the position that the question was answered by paragraph 4 of the communication to the Secretary of the Naval Board, December 22, 1943, a copy of which was attached to your letter under reference. If this is not a sufficiently sound basis upon which to proceed with the proposed modernization programme at these stations, please let me know and we shall endeavour to get a more explicit statement from the United States authorities.

H. L. Keenleyside
(for the) Under Secretary of State
for External Affairs.

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