

The foregoing suggestions are put forward merely to serve as a basis for further discussions.

Yours very truly,

W. C. CLARK

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*Le ministre aux États-Unis à l'adjoint spécial en temps de guerre
du sous-secrétaire d'État aux Affaires extérieures*

*Minister in United States to Special Wartime Assistant to
Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs*

Washington, May 4, 1944

Dear Henry [Angus],

I was glad to get your teletype EX-1862 of May 3rd,[†] with the letter from Clifford Clark regarding the financing of military relief. I sent a copy of this teletype to Plumptre, among others, and have received from him today a copy of a letter on the same subject which he sent to Clark. Possibly if he had received your teletype before sending his letter, he might have changed it in one or two respects. It is, however, a clear and useful analysis of the problem, and for that reason I am enclosing a copy herewith.

I find myself in agreement with the views expressed by Plumptre in this letter, and I gather from Clark's letter that he also has some sympathy with them.

Yours sincerely,

MIKE PEARSON

[PIÈCE JOINTE/ENCLOSURE]

*L'attaché financier, l'ambassade aux États-Unis,
au sous-ministre des Finances*

*Financial Attaché, Embassy in United States,
to Deputy Minister of Finance*

Washington, May 3, 1944

FINANCING OF MILITARY RELIEF FROM CANADA

Dear Clark,

The problem of financing military relief from Canada is one which has been actively interesting several of us here in Washington, particularly Mike Pearson, George Bateman, and myself. While I do not think that I have ever talked to you about it, Bateman has given me some indication of your views. As I understand it, your position very briefly is that it would be politically unjustifiable for Canada to provide military relief under present circumstances in which Canada has no control over the allocation, disposition or distribution