

CANADIAN NOTE TO THE USSR, APRIL 24, 1959

The Government of Canada hereby acknowledges the Note of the Soviet Government of March 2nd in which reference is made to the Canadian Government's Note of February 17 and to earlier communications devoted to questions relating to Germany, including a peace treaty with Germany and the question of Berlin.

Since these exchanges took place, Notes have been transmitted to the Soviet Union by the U.S.A., U.K. and France, under date of March 26th, confirming the willingness of these Governments to commence negotiations on May 11 in Geneva at the level of foreign ministers. The proposals put forth by these Western powers and accepted by the Soviet Government in its Notes of March 30 have the support of the Canadian Government.

The Canadian Government does not therefore consider it would be of value to comment in detail on the matters raised in the Soviet Note of March 2nd. The Canadian Government expresses the hope, however, that the Soviet Government will treat the coming negotiations as a real opportunity to achieve a lessening of international tension and to settle some of the more pressing problems on a basis that takes into account the legitimate interests of all concerned.

LIBRARY E A / BIBLIOTHÈQUE A E



3 5036 01046125 2