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Ottawa, December 23rd, 1942.

CABINET WAR COMMITTEE

A meeting of the War Committee of the Cabinet was held in the Privy Council Chamber on Wednesday, December the 23rd, at 3 p.m.

There were present the following members:

The Prime Minister (Mr. King), in the Chair,
The Minister of Mines and Resources (Mr. Crerar),
The Minister of National Defence (Mr. Ralston),
The Minister of National Defence for
Air (Mr. Power),
The Minister of Finance (Mr. Ilesley),
The Minister of Munitions and Supply (Mr. Howe),
The Minister of National Defence for
Naval Services (Mr. Macdonald),
The Minister of Justice (Mr. St. Laurent).

The Under-Secretary of State for External
Affairs (Mr. Robertson),
The Secretary (Mr. Heeney).

Mr. J. R. Baldwin, Privy Council Office).

There was also present for consideration
of the item dealt with in paragraphs 1 to 10:

The Minister of Pensions and National
Health (Mr. Mackenzie), Chairman of the
Cabinet Committee on Demobilization and Re-
establishment,

and for consideration of the item dealt with
in paragraphs 12 to 17:

The Deputy Minister of Finance (Dr. Clark).

Government organization for postwar planning

1. The Minister of Pensions and National
Health referred to the recommendations submitted
to him, as Chairman of the existing Cabinet Committee,
by the Committee on Reconstruction.

These recommendations had been referred
by Council to the General Advisory Committee on
Economic Policy who had now submitted a report on these
recommendations relating to organization for postwar
planning.

Copies of the Economic Advisory Committee's
report had been circulated to all members of the
government.

(Report of Economic Advisory Committee on the
Reconstruction Committee's recommendations, November
30, 1942).

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