

cease upon his reaching the age of sixty-five. The proposed amendment seemed too broad, as, in practice, it would mean appointment of Commissioners for life.

It had been suggested that an acceptable alternative would be to re-word subsection (3) to provide that the appointment of Civil Service Commissioners should be for a period of ten years, with a proviso that any subsequent re-appointment might be for a term of less than ten years; there would then be no reference to retirement at sixty-five.

(Secretary's memorandum, Oct. 4, 1951)

11. The Cabinet, after discussion, deferred decision on introduction of proposed amendments to the Civil Service Act pending further consideration at a subsequent meeting.

Legislation; Visiting Forces (North Atlantic Treaty)  
bill

12. The Minister of National Defence submitted a resolution and bill entitled "The Visiting Forces (North Atlantic Treaty) Act".

13. The Prime Minister suggested that the resolution to precede introduction of the measure might be approved immediately and that the bill itself be further considered when in printed form.

14. The Cabinet, after discussion:

(a) approved for introduction the resolution to precede the Visiting Forces (North Atlantic Treaty) bill; and,

(b) deferred decision on introduction of the bill pending further consideration at a subsequent meeting.

Defence; purchase of Comet air transports for  
Royal Canadian Air Force

15. The Minister of National Defence reported that the Royal Canadian Air Force required four additional North Star transports. Canadair were not, at the present time, producing this type of aircraft and it seemed wasteful to have the company retool for the sole purpose of producing

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