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The Embassy of the U.S.S.R. has been informed that it must henceforth notify the Department of External Affairs in advance of any trip more than 25 miles from Ottawa taken by a member of the Embassy staff. This notification must be received at least 48 hours before the proposed time of departure from Ottawa. It must include the names of the Embassy staff members who intend to travel, as well as full details of the proposed itinerary, the times of arrival and departure for each point of the journey at which a stop-over is to be made, and the means of transport to be employed at each stage of the trip.

In Moscow, the Canadian Embassy is similarly required to notify the Soviet authorities in advance of any trip beyond a radius of 40 kilometres from Moscow taken by a member of the Embassy staff. In addition to this members of the Canadian Embassy staff in Moscow are prohibited from visiting a great many cities and areas of the U.S.S.R., including a good many areas within the limit of 40 kilometres from Moscow. The Soviet Government has recently made substantial additions to this list of prohibited places.
