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*Le secrétaire d'État aux Affaires extérieures
au haut-commissaire au Royaume-Uni*

*Secretary of State for External Affairs
to High Commissioner in United Kingdom*

TELEGRAM GATDEL 14

Ottawa, March 28, 1951

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Following for McKinnon, GATT delegation, Torquay, from Abbott.
Reference your No. 734 March 28, 1951, Cuban sugar.

1. Department of Trade and Commerce advise that Canadian undertaking to Cuba should be stated as follows: Begins: The Government of Canada will ensure the purchase at world market prices by Canadian refineries or otherwise of 150 million pounds avoirdupois of raw sugar out of supplies made available to the world market by the Cuban Government within each of the calendar years 1951, 1952 and 1953. Ends.

2. As indicated to you in a previous telegram it is intended that the purchases of Cuban sugar would be carried out by the Canadian refineries acting as agents of a Canadian Government Crown corporation. The refineries would purchase Cuban sugar in the ordinary commercial way at such times and in such amounts from time to time within each year as is in accord with commercial considerations. Adjustments in duty so as to enable the refineries to purchase Cuban sugar up to a total amount specified in the agreement would be arranged between the Canadian Government Crown corporation and the refineries. Consequently, in order to carry out the undertaking in the proposed agreement there is no need for further detailed arrangements or discussions between the Canadian and Cuban governments. Accordingly the last sentence in your paragraph four has been dropped from our text.

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*Note du ministre du Commerce
pour le Cabinet*

*Memorandum from Minister of Trade and Commerce
to Cabinet*

CABINET DOCUMENT NO. 128-51

Ottawa, May 1, 1951

The Canadian Delegation at Torquay, having signified its acceptance of the compensation offered by Cuba for four items of relatively small importance withdrawn under Article XXVIII of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, and Cuba having revalidated until January 1st, 1954 Schedule IX of Tariff Concessions granted to Canada at Geneva, the Canadian Delegation was directed to assure the Cuban Delegation that the Government of Canada will ensure the purchase in the