On May 13, in reply to an enquiry whether "the use of Canadian air space is denied to United States planes of the U-2 type at this time", Mr. Green said:

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I explained to the House the other day that the only type of U-2 planes which fly over Canada are those engaged in meteorological and radiation activities, and that they are duly cleared each time, with a flight plan being filed; reporting as they carry out their mission; reporting as they come back, and reporting when they leave Canada. This, as I said, is the only type of U-2 plane that is using Canadian air space.

... The Honourable Member is asking if they do not operate from United States bases on Canadian soil, and I say not the spy type of plane. Of course the planes doing meteorological and radiation work would fly from the United States. As I pointed out, this is not the type of plane that was over Russia. I explained that these planes have United States Air Force markings and they are operated by United States Air Force personnel. This was not the case with the plane that was over Russia.

## **Summit Conference**

On May 18, the following statement on the failure of the attempt to hold a "summit" conference in Paris was discussed in the House of Commons by Prime Minister Diefenbaker as follows:

I think I should say a word at this time regarding the abrupt termination of the summit meeting in Paris. There was an opportunity for progress and improvement at this meeting which had awakened the hopes of millions of people throughout the world. For reasons of his own, reasons which I think all members of this House regard as totally unjustifiable, Chairman Khrushchov has refused to meet with the other participants. By so doing he ended, before the session had properly begun, all hopes of achievement at this Conference.

Any cause for complaint which the Soviet leader may have felt had been removed by President Eisenhower's assurances on May 16 that over-flights had been stopped and would not be resumed. The President did this even though there was no indication that the Soviet Union was willing to give equal assurances that objectionable activities for which it was responsible would also end.

There have been periods in the past when East-West relations were characterized by sustained acrimony, but recently it had been the expectation of people everywhere in the world that we were moving into a better era where we would solve our problems by reasonable negotiation. I think I express the views of all Hon. Members of this House when I say that despite the tragic international drama of yesterday and the developments of the last few days, mankind has not been thrown all the way back into the frightening gloom of the cold war.

The NATO Council will meet tomorrow. The NATO powers have been working and will continue to work toward the establishment of good relations