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a public statement at the present juncture by the Canadian Government that they had asked for such an assurance would be disastrous. The United States landing craft and aircraft are continuing their assistance to the British troops after the point had been decided at Washington. It would be a great pity for Canada to take isolated action and for the Empire to be wounded in this fashion. Ends.

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