

5 France through its foreign minister has agreed that  
prior to the meeting of the fifteen there should be a  
meeting of the fourteen countries. For the past two  
months now the representatives of the fourteen in the  
NATO Council, pursuant to instructions from governments,  
have been considering the practical consequences of the  
French decision, and we have set up through them a  
number of working groups who will be reporting to the  
10 fourteen, and through the fourteen to the fifteen on  
Tuesday, on matters that flow from the French decision.  
Now, there will be some matters that will have to be  
resolved at the meeting on Monday and discussed with the  
Government of France on Tuesday. The French Government  
has said that the NATO Military Headquarters will have  
15 to move, and since that decision is final, we will  
have to consider among ourselves where the military  
headquarters known as SHAPE will be located. This  
decision will take place, in all probability, next  
week. There will likewise have to be a decision as  
20 to where the Defense College is to be located, and we  
will give consideration as to whether or not the mili-  
tary committee will move from Washington to another  
locale. We will also have to give consideration to  
what happens to the standing military group.

25 As to the location of the Council itself,  
which is the political deliberative organ, that in  
the judgment of Canada at the present time is not a  
matter that has to be decided forthwith. I am not  
saying that there will not be a decision about this