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The attached correspondence between the government of Canada and the government of the United Kingdom, from September 1st to September 30th, 1939, is now made public with the consent of the government of the United Kingdom.

This correspondence shows the attitude of the Canadian government on the eve of the outbreak of war, and immediately after hostilities had been declared. Inevitably, it relates particularly to the early beginnings of the air training plan, making clear the magnitude of the original proposal on September 26th, and the speed into which agreement was reached, on September 28th, in deciding to put into action this immense plan which could and did affect the whole course of the war.

A brief summary of the correspondence shows the following main points:

On September 1st, the Government of the United Kingdom was informed that the Canadian government had made public a statement of policy to the