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Ottawa, April 25th, 1946.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRIME MINISTER:

Re: Defence collaboration with the United States;
draft recommendation of the P.J.B.D.

On looking further into the matter I find that the U.S. Section of the Board have suggested a change in the one clause in the Board's recommendation which you queried, viz., (c) relating to "joint manoeuvres, etc."

The proposed new wording of this clause is as follows:

"(c) Cooperation and exchange of observers in connection with exercises and with the development and tests of material of common interest to the armed services shall be encouraged".

It seems to me that the new wording is not open to the same objection.

In view of this change and since the Board are to meet in Ottawa on Monday next, you may be willing to agree that the draft recommendation, as so revised, be accepted as a suitable basis of agreement with the United States, as recommended by the Cabinet Defence Committee. This will enable the Canadian representatives to be instructed accordingly and prepare a recommendation along these lines for submission to the two governments.

I should be grateful if you would let me know, just as soon as possible, whether you agree.

A.D.P.H.
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P.S. Copy of recommendation attached. *not received for file*

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