

(D) INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES AND AGREEMENTS

1. RADIO ENGINEERING CONFERENCE, WASHINGTON, D.C., JANUARY 14, 1941.

A Radio engineering conference was held in Washington, on January 14, 1941, for the purpose of harmonizing the action of the radio administrations of Canada, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Haiti, Mexico and the United States, in bringing the assignment of broadcasting frequencies into conformity with the provisions of the North American Regional Broadcasting Agreement signed at Havana on December 13, 1937.

2. RATIFICATION OF PROTOCOL AMENDING THE INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENT FOR THE REGULATION OF WHALING, FEBRUARY 27, 1941.

Ratification of the Protocol amending the International Agreement for the Regulation of Whaling was authorized, on behalf of Canada, by Order in Council P.C. 1957 of the 22nd of July, 1939, and took place on the 27th of February, 1941.

The Protocol, like the Agreement which it supplements, provides regulations for the conservation of the whaling industry.

3. GREAT LAKES - ST. LAWRENCE BASIN AGREEMENT, STATEMENT OF PRIME MINISTER, MARCH 19, 1941.

Mr. Speaker, an agreement between the government of Canada and the government of Ontario with regard to the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence basin development was completed to-day at 1.35 p.m. It was signed at Ottawa yesterday by Mr. Howe and myself on behalf of the Canadian government and at Toronto to-day by Mr. Hepburn and Mr. Nixon on behalf of the government of Ontario.

This agreement is designed to enable the two governments in co-operation with the government of the United States to carry out the developments which are necessary to make beneficial use of the waters of the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence basin, including the development of power from the Ogoki and Long Lac diversions at the Sault, Niagara and ultimately in the international rapids section; the preservation of the scenic