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key-commodities useful for military operations (5) provision for mutual assistance in contingencies arising out of the application of economic sanctions.

The Government's position was then stated in the following terms:

(Statement here quotes text of statement of Secretary of State for External Affairs, October 29, 1935, set forth above).

Since that date the Government on the 31st October put into force an embargo on the export of arms and munitions to Italy and on the same date devised voluntary measures to ensure the prohibition of loans and credits. On the 15th November by an Order-in-Council coming into operation on the 18th an embargo was placed on all imports from Italy, the provisions with respect to loans and credits were validated and the export of key commodities on the list as already adopted by the League of Nations was prohibited.

With regard to the further application of the measures already adopted by the League and the possible extension of the scope of such measures, the Canadian Government has not departed in any way from the position, as stated by the Prime Minister on October 29th. The

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