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MEMORANDUM

Re Department of National War Services
Draft Bill

Last night I was handed a typewritten draft bill to be used as a basis for a new draft bill to create the above mentioned Department. It should be observed that there have been four previous drafts printed. The typewritten draft given to me last night was apparently taken from the second printed draft bill which was the first draft bill submitted to Council. It has a preamble which was omitted, presumably by Council, in the third printed draft.

Submitted herewith is the draft prepared on the basis of the typewritten draft. This is the fifth printed draft. The following comments may be helpful in appreciating what departures have been made in the present draft from the provisions of the typewritten draft.

Preamble. The preamble in the attached print is textually the same as in the typewritten draft. It is taken from the second printed draft with the words "and the national safety of Canada has become endangered" omitted from the first paragraph. This paragraph as it stood was taken from the Mobilization Act. The only other changes made in the preamble are the omission of the words "all" in the second paragraph, and the deletion of the third paragraph from the second printed draft.

Sections 1 and 2 of the attached print are textually the same as Sections 1 and 2 of the typewritten draft.

Section 3 (1) in the attached print omits the words "on recommendation of the Minister" from the typewritten draft as the provisions for the appointments of the deputy ministers usually omit these words.

Section 3 (2) in the attached print is textually the same as in the typewritten draft.