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FOR RELEASE IN AFTERNOON PAPERS OF WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 19, 1955.

The Department of External Affairs announced today that Prime Minister Mohammed Ali of Pakistan will arrive in Ottawa on Monday morning January 24 for a visit as a guest of the Canadian Government. The Prime Minister of Pakistan will be the guest of His Excellency, the Rt. Hon. Vincent Massey, C.H., Governor-General of Canada at Government House until Wednesday, January 26, when he will move to the residence of the High Commissioner of Pakistan and Mrs. M.O.A. Baig. He will leave Thursday, January 27, for New York.

The Prime Minister of Pakistan will arrive on Monday from New York by train reaching Ottawa at 11:45 a.m. He will be welcomed at the Union Station by the Rt. Hon. Louis St. Laurent, Prime Minister of Canada, Mr. Lionel Massey, representing the Governor-General, His Excellency Mr. Baig, members of the Canadian Government, diplomats and other dignitaries. Prior to departure from the station for Government House, he will review an RCAF guard of honour under F/L W.J. Buchan, D.F.C., C.D. The Central Band of the RCAF will attend.

At 4:30 p.m. that afternoon the Prime Minister of Pakistan will hold a press conference in the main Conference Room of the East Block.

On Tuesday morning, January 25 at 11:00 a.m., Prime Minister Mohammed Ali will call on Mr. St. Laurent and will be the guest of honour at a luncheon at the Prime Minister's residence, 24 Sussex Street, at one o'clock. That evening His Excellency the Governor-General will entertain at dinner at Government House in his honour.

The High Commissioner of Pakistan will accompany Prime Minister Mohammed Ali on Wednesday, January 26, for a call on the Secretary of State for External Affairs in his office in the House of Commons,

At 7:30 p.m. the Prime Minister of Pakistan will entertain His Excellency the Governor-General at the residence of the High Commissioner. Later a reception will be held by the Prime Minister of Bakistan at the Rideau Club.

Prime Minister Mohammed Ali will leave Thursday morning, January 27, for New York enroute to London where he will attend the Commonwealth Prime Ministers! Conference.