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*Le délégué permanent aux Nations Unies
au secrétaire d'État aux Affaires extérieures**Permanent Delegate to United Nations
to Secretary of State for External Affairs*

DESPATCH 150

New York, April 5, 1949

SECRET

Sir,

1. I would refer to your despatch No. 18 of 6 January† and other correspondence concerning the suggestion that Canada might place an item on the Agenda of the 9th session of the Economic and Social Council which meets this coming July in Geneva.

2. You will recall that Dr. [George F.] Davidson, in his letter of 23 November to the Acting Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs,⁶¹ suggested among other things that it might be “of additional advantage to Canada during her absence from the Council if she were to demonstrate her interest in practical terms by placing one or two small but useful items on the Council Agenda for discussion at the two sessions in 1949.” It was later agreed that rather than make an effort to get several minor items on the Agenda of the Eighth Session, we should plan to introduce some matter of importance at the Ninth session. This is confirmed by you in your despatch No. 18.

3. After giving this matter further consideration and in the light of Mr. Grande's experience in observing the meetings of the Eighth Session of the Council, I should like to submit for your consideration the opinion that Canada should not place an item on the Agenda of the Ninth Session. From remarks which were made from

⁶¹ Volume 14, Document 236.