

B. CZECHOSLOVAKIA**1. Broadcasts**

Mr. Pearson suggested that *Mr. Nemeč*, the former Czech Minister, might be invited to prepare talks. The scripts would, of course, be submitted in advance. *Mr. Nemeč* understands that this would be necessary.

In conversation with *Mr. Pearson*, *Mr. Nemeč* reported that the U.S.S.R. in their propaganda picture themselves as the protectors of the Czechs against the Germans. As the Czechs are concerned about a future German aggression, this line of propaganda is very effective. *Mr. Pearson* thought that *Mr. Nemeč* could explain very usefully that no one in Canada or in the western democracies intends to allow Germany to threaten again her neighbours.

2. Newspapers

It has been reported that at present the only Czech language newspaper in Canada is communist controlled. It was suggested that the Chamber of Commerce or some such organisation might be advised to interest itself in helping to establish a truly democratic Czech newspaper or in reviewing the one which suspended publication shortly before the coup in Prague. Such a newspaper would, in addition, provide useful material for broadcasts to Czechoslovakia.

3. At present the Czech editor on the C.B.C. (I.S.) programmes writes his scripts in the Czech language. While there is no question as to his loyalty, to ensure that his programmes conform to Canadian external policy, it would be advisable to arrange for English translations of these scripts. *Mr. Dunton* undertook to look into this matter.

C. DECISIONS

The Canadian missions in London and Washington are to be requested to obtain reports on jamming, estimated radio audiences in communist controlled countries.

2. The Canadian missions in communist controlled countries (U.S.S.R., Poland, Yugoslavia) are to be requested to give their views on the advisability of directing broadcasts to their respective countries and as to the lines which might usefully be followed in preparing these broadcasts if it is considered advisable to undertake them.

3. The Department of External Affairs is to prepare for the C.B.C. (I.S.) guidance notes on current developments on matters of foreign policy. These notes are to be supplemented by such information material as can be released.

4. The Canadian Chamber of Commerce is to be requested through appropriate channels to assist in the establishment of a Czech language newspaper which would be completely outside communist influence or control.

5. *Mr. Nemeč* is to be invited to prepare talks for the C.B.C. (I.S.).