felicitations of the Government of Canada on his accession to the throne and I shall look forward to receiving the text of His Majesty's proclamation on this historic occasion. I am sure that all Canadians share the pleasure of their government in welcoming the United Kingdom of Libya to its place among the free, independent and sovereign nations of the world.

Secretary of State for External Affairs.

Ottawa, January 7, 1952.

"To the Secretary of State for External Affairs, Canada.

On behalf of the government and people of Libya I thank Your Excellency and through you all Canadians for their kind congratulations and welcoming of the birth of the United Kingdom of Libya. I avail myself of this opportunity to express to Your Excellency my best wishes for your well being.

Mahmoud Muntasser, Prime Minister and Foreign Minister.

Tripoli, Libya, January 8, 1952."