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Le secrétaire aux Dominions au secrétaire d'État aux Affaires extérieures
Dominions Secretary to Secretary of State for External Affairs

TELEGRAM B. 50

London, April 20, 1931

CLEAR THE LINE MESSAGE. STATE SECRET. My telegram of the 18th April, Circular B.48, Secret, Spain. It has now been ascertained that action taken by French Government was intended to imply complete recognition of new Government, their view being based on consideration that the King, though not abdicating, voluntarily remitted his powers to the late Government, who voluntarily transferred them to present Government, and that change is as constitutional as circumstances permit inasmuch as no Cortes at present exists just as none existed under late régime to confirm change.

Similar action has been taken by a number of powers, including Portugal.

In the circumstances, we have come to the conclusion that there would be no advantage in deferring until a later stage full recognition, especially having regard to present cordial relations with Spain. If His Majesty's Governments in the Dominions concur it is proposed that Spanish Government should be informed by His Majesty's Ambassador at Madrid on behalf of His Majesty's Governments in the United Kingdom, Canada, the Commonwealth of Australia, New Zealand, Union of South Africa, and the Irish Free State, that these Governments recognize the new Government, using such titles as new Government may have adopted for itself.

We should be grateful for immediate reply if possible by morning of the 22nd April.

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Le secrétaire d'État aux Affaires extérieures au secrétaire aux Dominions
Secretary of State for External Affairs to Dominions Secretary

TELEGRAM 62

Ottawa, April 21, 1931

CLEAR THE LINE. STATE SECRET. Your telegram Circular B.50 of 20th April. Spain. We concur in proposal for immediate full recognition.

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Le secrétaire d'État aux Affaires extérieures à l'ambassadeur
de Grande-Bretagne en Espagne

Secretary of State for External Affairs to British Ambassador in Spain

TELEGRAM

Ottawa, May 28, 1935

Canadian Motor Car Manufacturers report Canadian automobiles are being subjected for months of May and June to quota only one-tenth that