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Mémorandum du sous-secrétaire d'État aux Affaires extérieures au Premier ministre

Memorandum from Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs
to Prime Minister

Ottawa, March 31, 1945

The United States Ambassador telephoned me this afternoon to invite the Canadian Government to be represented at discussions of the world supply position which will begin on the technical level in Washington on Tuesday, April 3. Mr. Atherton expected to have further details of the arrangements for the meeting on Monday morning. I assume that this invitation is preparatory to an invitation to Canada to be represented in the top level ministerial consideration of the same problem which is to begin when Messrs. Llewellin and Lyttelton return to Washington on Wednesday.

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Procès-verbal d'une réunion entre des représentants du Canada et des représentants de la Grande-Bretagne

Minutes of a Meeting between Representatives of Canada and Representatives of Great Britain

CONFIDENTIAL.

Ottawa, April 2, 1945

WORLD FOOD SITUATION; WASHINGTON CONVERSATIONS

A meeting was held, at 12.00 o'clock noon, on April 2nd, 1945, in Room 123, East Block, between representatives of the U.K. and Canadian governments, as follows:

Canada

The Minister of Munitions and Supply (Mr. Howe), in the Chair,

The Minister of Finance (Mr. Ilsley),

The Minister of Agriculture (Mr. Gardiner),

The Minister of Trade and Commerce (Mr. MacKinnon),

The Minister of Justice (Mr. St. Laurent), The Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs (Mr. Robertson),

The Deputy Minister of Agriculture (Dr. Barton),

The Secretary to the Cabinet (Mr. Heeney).

United Kingdom

The Minister of Production (Mr. Lyttelton),

The Minister of Food (Mr. Llewellin),

The High Commissioner (Mr. MacDonald),

The Acting Head, British Food Mission in Ottawa (Mr. Croome).

1. MR. LYTTELTON described the reasons underlying the present U.K. Mission to the United States and the course of their preliminary exploration of