

of minor Naval vessels, which would then be used as training vessels. Commodore DeWolf stated that the Canadian Navy desired to take similar action. The Board saw no objection whatsoever to the proposed action of the two Naval services. It was agreed that the members from the State Department and the Department of External Affairs would undertake to study jointly whether any further interpretations of existing treaties bearing on this matter would be necessary. At any event the board felt that the action would be consistent with the spirit of such treaties and agreements.

15. Admiral Schuirmann informed the board that the United States Navy had commenced consideration of proposed cold weather manoeuvres, either in the North Atlantic or the North Pacific, and inquired whether the Canadian Navy and the RCAF (with respect to land based planes) would be interested in participating and would be willing to make available neighboring Canadian facilities, including airfields. In the event of Canadian participation, he inquired as to the nature and extent of logistic support which would be required from the United States and what logistic support Canada might afford to the United States. General McNaughton replied that the Canadian services were very definitely interested in continued collaboration of this nature and asked to be advised at the earliest possible moment of the date, locality and scope of the proposed manoeuvres. Commodore DeWolf stated that the Canadian Navy would require the assistance of the U. S. Navy in any refueling at sea and other logistic support in any extended manoeuvres. Air Vice Marshal Curtis indicated that RCAF land based aircraft would probably be available to take part.

16. General Henry outlined in general terms the interest of the United States Army in the following proposals:

- a. Setting up a joint arctic experimental and testing station at Churchill or other suitable locality;
- b. Holding joint exercises next winter in the Canadian subarctic (with possibly five hundred United States troops participating); and
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