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The Department of External Affairs announced today that the Canadian Government has contributed an additional 1500 tons of Canadian salted cod valued at \$450,000 to the United Nations Emergency Relief Programme in Korea. This is the second Canadian contribution of Canadian codfish to this Programme, the first having been made in the autumn of 1953 in the amount of 1000 tons valued at \$300,000.

The Emergency Relief Programme, in which 36 countries are participating, was inaugurated by the United Nations Command shortly after the outbreak of hostilities in Korea. Its aim is to provide immediate relief to the Korean people in the form of food, clothing, medicine, etc. This Programme is in addition to the long-range reconstruction programme carried out by the United Nations Korean Reconstruction Agency in which Canada, together with 33 other countries, participates and towards which the Canadian Government has contributed \$7,250,000.

The salted cod will be shipped to Korea from Halifax and St. John's within the next few weeks.

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