

4. Text of telegram received from Prime Minister of United Kingdom regarding financial proposals outlined by Prime Minister of Canada, January 27, 1942.

The following is the text of a telegram which has been received on January 27, 1942, by the Prime Minister from the Prime Minister of the United Kingdom, following the announcement of the financial proposals outlined by the Prime Minister of Canada in his speech in the House of Commons on January 26:

"Reports have just reached me of the most generous and far reaching financial proposals which you have outlined today in the House of Commons at Ottawa. I recall your memorable words at the Mansion House when you said, "We in Canada are proud to share your burdens. We are determined to share them to the utmost of our strength." Canada under your leadership has given many proofs of that determination in every field of our common endeavour, and I have recently been fortunate enough to see for myself the spirit that inspires you all. Parliament and the people of this country will share my feelings of profound gratitude and encouragement. At this time when the utmost efforts of every nation are required for victory you have again made plain to the world that all the resources and energies of Canada are to be counted upon in support of the fight for freedom."

5. Modification in Conditions of Recruitment for Foreign Forces in Canada.

For some time past, the allied Governments of Poland, Norway, the Netherlands, Belgium, and Czechoslovakia, have been calling up their own nationals in Canada for military service. Following enlistment, and in most cases, a brief preliminary training period in Canada, groups of recruits have been going forward regularly to the United Kingdom to join the main formations of their own Allied force now on active service overseas.

Up to the present, recruitment in Canada for each of these Allied forces has been restricted to nationals of the Allied country concerned. Canadian nationals and other British subjects have not been eligible to volunteer for enlistment with these Allied forces. From time to time, however, individual cases have arisen where naturalized Canadians formerly of Polish, Norwegian, Netherlands, Belgian or Czechoslovak nationality have sought to volunteer for active service with the Allied force of their former country. Further cases have arisen where Canadian nationals of dual nationality, i.e., persons who are both Canadian nationals and nationals of one of these Allied countries, have sought admission to an Allied force.