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Extrait des conclusions du Cabinet
Extract from Cabinet Conclusions

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[Ottawa], February 15, 1956

Present

The Prime Minister (Mr. St-Laurent) in the Chair,
 The Minister of Trade and Commerce and Minister of Defence Production (Mr. Howe),
 The Minister of Agriculture (Mr. Gardiner),
 The Minister of National Revenue (Dr. McCann),
 The Minister of Labour (Mr. Gregg),
 The Secretary of State for External Affairs (Mr. Pearson),
 The Minister of Justice (Mr. Garson),
 The Minister of Veterans Affairs and Postmaster General (Mr. Lapointe),
 The Minister of Finance (Mr. Harris),
 The Minister of Mines and Technical Surveys (Mr. Prudham),
 The Minister of National Defence (Mr. Campney),
 The Leader of the Government in the Senate and Solicitor General (Senator Macdonald),
 The Minister of Citizenship and Immigration (Mr. Pickersgill),
 The Minister of Northern Affairs and National Resources (Mr. Lesage),
 The Secretary of State (Mr. Pinard).
 The Secretary to the Cabinet (Mr. Bryce),
 The Assistant Secretary to the Cabinet (Mr. Martin),
 The Economic Adviser, Privy Council Office (Mr. Lamontagne).

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ISRAEL; EXPORT OF ARMS; 25-POUNDER AMMUNITION
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20. *The Secretary of State for External Affairs* said he would no doubt be questioned soon on the last Israeli order for 25-pounder ammunition. He proposed to say, in reply, that shipment had been postponed until the discussions between the United States, the United Kingdom and France on security in the Middle East were concluded, and information about these talks was available to Canada. This corresponded with the position taken last fall when the middle east situation was before the U.N. General Assembly.

21. *The Cabinet* noted with approval that the Secretary of State for External Affairs proposed to state that the export of 25-pounder ammunition to Israel had been postponed until the United Kingdom-United States-French discussions on middle east security had been concluded and information on these talks was available.²⁶

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²⁶ Voir Canada, Chambre des Communes, *Débats*, 1956, volume II, p. 1247.
 See Canada, House of Commons, *Debates*, 1956, Volume II, p. 1201.