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Mr. Churchill Bids "Au Revoir": Ottawa, January 15 (CP) -- Prime Minister Churchill departed this capital for Washington today and, with tears in his eyes, bestowed on Canadians his wish for "all success and good fortune."

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The 77-year-old British statesman, ending a five-day round of social activities and inter-governmental talks, made a triumphant departure to the cheers of hundreds who packed Ottawa's Union Station to see him off.

The crowd wouldn't let him go and, in one of three brief platform appearances before his train pulled away, he told the roaring throng:

"Let Canada go forward into her great future. . . . I wish you all success and good fortune."

He disappeared into his private car and the crowd sent up the chant "We Want Churchill," and he came once again to tell them: "I am not going to say goodbye. I am only going to say au revoir."

goodbye. I am only going to say au revoir." Then, a third time, he appeared again, saluting a guard of honour and raising his hand in his famed "V for Victory" sign, holding it aloft as the train rolled away into the gathering dusk.

A military band intoned the first four bars of Beethoven's Fifth Symphony, the notes which signified victory in the Second World War.

His special four-car section, hitched to the rear of the regular Ottawa-Montreal train, left at approximately 4:40 p.m. EST. The Prime Minister, Mr. St. Laurent and members of the Canadian Cabinet and the diplomatic corps turned out to see him go.

The official departure ceremony was brief. As an artillery troop thundered a 19-gun salute, Mr. Churchill inspected the R.C.A.F. guard of honour and then boarded the train after shaking hands with Mr. St. Laurent and others.

That ended a stay in which he conferred several times with the Canadian Prime Minister and his Cabinet and filled them in on the details of his talks with President Truman in Washington a week ago.

NATO To Meet In Lisbon February 16: Ottawa, January 16 (Press Release No. 1) --The Secretary of State for External Affairs, Mr. Pearson, who is this year President of the North Atlantic Council, announced on January 16 that after consultation with the Council Deputies in London it had been decided to hold the next meeting of the North Atlantic Council in Lisbon beginning February 16.

Canada-Soviet Trade: Ottawa, January 15 (CP) -- Canadian trade officials said today that Russia, obviously, is not so interested in promoting general trade with Canada as she is in obtaining strategic supplies of scarce materials.

They were commenting on a Moscow dispatch quoting the Soviet Englishlanguage publication "News" as advocating, in an editorial, resumption of trade between Canada and the Soviet. Another editorial was devoted to promotion of Soviet-Canadian friendship.

Officials said that Canada probably would be willing to sell Russia some non-essential goods if Russia was willing to pay cash.

But they ruled out the question of trade between Canada and Russia involving the supply of any goods which may be scarce. Canada, they said, was just not interested.

Several attempts have been made in the past, they said, mainly by Soviet satellites, to get supplies of Canadian scarce goods, such as minerals and metals. These have been turned down. Exports of Canadian scarce materials are controlled through a Government export-permit system.

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