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*Le haut commissaire en Grande-Bretagne au
secrétaire d'État aux Affaires extérieures*
*High Commissioner in Great Britain to
Secretary of State for External Affairs*

TELEGRAM 1431

London, May 29, 1942

Your telegram of May 25th, No. 1019. The King will be pleased to approve appointment of Mr. [Grove] Vallejos as Chilean Minister to Canada.

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*Mémorandum du sous-secrétaire d'État aux Affaires extérieures
au Premier ministre*
*Memorandum from Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs
to Prime Minister*

[Ottawa,] July 18, 1942

Attached is a copy of a memorandum by Pearson of a conversation which the Minister and he had with Mr. Sumner Welles on July 15th.

You will note that Mr. Welles returned to the question of the extension of Canadian diplomatic representation in Latin America. There is no doubt in my mind that the two countries he mentions, Mexico and Peru, should be the next American countries with which we exchange representatives. I do not think, however, that the suggested arrangement of accrediting one Minister to Chile and Peru would be satisfactory. This time last year the United States Under-Secretary of State, in urging us to establish direct diplomatic relations with Chile, was sure that the Minister appointed to Buenos Aires could be acceptably accredited to Santiago as well. In the event, this arrangement has not been very satisfactory. The distance between Buenos Aires and Santiago is too great for convenient commuting, though it is not as great as the distance between Santiago and Lima. Mr. Turgeon has only been able to go to Chile once since his appointment, and he has found the journey rather strenuous. When we get around to opening Legations on the west coast of South America, I think it would be better to have a Minister with only one Secretary for each country than to attempt to combine the two posts.

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