

Howe and the Atomic Energy Control Board (C. D. Howe Papers), the Deputy Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce (Department of Trade and Commerce Records) and Madame Georges P. Vanier (Vanier Papers). Mr. Louis Rasminsky permitted me to consult his papers and answered my questions about them. Various other collections, from which no material was selected for publication, were kindly made available by their owners. Of these, I am particularly grateful to the Master and members of Massey College for their assistance in dealing with the Vincent Massey Papers. The publication of documents is governed, of course, by the considerations affecting application of the "thirty-year rule" mentioned by the Prime Minister in his statement to the House of Commons of May 1, 1969. As a result of these considerations, two documents (Nos. 1540 and 1542) are not printed in full. Section A of Part 5 of Chapter VII was also affected since the subject was under negotiation at the time this volume was in preparation. Documents 1239 and 1245 are not printed in full and two documents dated December 15, 1941, a memorandum of conclusions of an interdepartmental committee and its covering letter (DEA/10471-40), were omitted. These four documents will be available for consultation in full once the matter is resolved. Otherwise, no documents were subject to restriction by the Department of External Affairs or other owners.

Work had already begun on this volume when I assumed responsibility as editor. I have benefitted much from the advice of G. W. Hilborn and from the very able work of Douglas Waldie in the early selection of documents. The staff and facilities of the Historical Division of the Department of External Affairs were of inestimable value in producing the volume; for ensuring their ready availability I owe much to the former Director, Dr. A. E. Blanchette, his successors as Director, A. F. Hart and H. H. Carter, and to the Deputy-Director, Dr. D. M. Page. F. J. McEvoy was of great help in locating documents and looking up answers to my many queries; he was also responsible for the List of Persons and the Index. Michel Rossignol prepared the manuscript for the printers with his customary expertise, technical and linguistic. In working outside the Department, I benefitted particularly from the co-operation of the staffs of the Public Archives of Canada and the Directorate of History of the Department of National Defence. Dr. Patricia Roy kindly directed my attention to Document 512. Responsibility for errors and omissions, of course, is mine alone as editor.

The editor of Volume 7 directed the attention of readers to two works of lasting value to anyone interested in Canadian external relations in wartime: *The Mackenzie King Record, Volume I: 1939-1944* by J.W. Pickersgill (Toronto: University of Toronto Press, 1960), and *Arms, Men and Governments: The War Policies of Canada, 1939-1945* by C.P. Stacey (Ottawa: Information Canada, 1970). Two more recent publications have been of much value to me in preparing this volume: *In Defence of Canada: Peacemaking and Deterrence* by James Eayrs (Toronto: University of Toronto Press, 1972), and *Canada's War: The Politics of the Mackenzie King Government, 1939-1945* by J. L. Granatstein (Toronto: Oxford University Press, 1975). Canadian relations with Newfoundland are covered in a separate volume: *Documents on Relations between Canada and Newfoundland* (Volume 1: 1935-1949, Defence, Civil Aviation and Economic Affairs) edited by Paul Bridle (Ottawa: Information Canada, 1974).

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