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March 7th, 1944.

CABINET CONCLUSIONS

A meeting of Council was held in the Privy Council Chamber on Tuesday, March 7th, at 12.00 noon.

The Prime Minister (Mr. King),
in the Chair.

Government Policy on Civil Aviation
Domestic aviation; Air Transport Board
ownership of airlines by railway companies

1. The Prime Minister read the Secretary's note of conclusions reached at the Cabinet meeting held the previous day (March 6th).

2. Mr. King read a draft communication to the President of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, prepared by the Secretary in accordance with the Cabinet's decision on March 6th.

(Draft letter, Prime Minister to President, Canadian Pacific Railway Company, March 7, 1944).

3. The Cabinet, after discussion, agreed:

(a) that paragraphs 1 to 6 inclusive of the draft letter submitted by the Prime Minister be approved;

(b) that the principles of policy set out in paragraphs 7 to 9, regarding the separation of control of air services from that of railways, be approved; and

(c) that a committee composed of the Ministers of Munitions and Supply (Convener), National Defence for Air and Justice and the Postmaster General consider revision of paragraphs 7 to 9 inclusive, with a view to reporting a revised draft of these paragraphs to the next meeting of the Cabinet. (Mr. Howe's committee to meet at 8.30 p.m. the same evening; Mr. Baldwin, Privy Council Office, to act as Secretary).

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