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Moreover the government, as the situation became increasingly serious abroad, took other steps designed to help in meeting the crisis. Even after the end of the war meat rationing was imposed again in the autumn of 1945 and restrictions on domestic sales of butter, cream, ice cream and cheese were continued.

Reasons for further Action

Now, in the face of the hunger and misery that afflicts parts of the world today the Government believes^{we} that the Canadian people will wish not only to maintain their present efforts to help those who are less favoured, but to intensify those efforts.

It is vital to our own well-being as a nation that the suffering be relieved. Canada cannot long remain a prosperous nation in a starving world or in a world where famine is breeding turmoil and unrest. It is in our own interest to see that prosperity, security and peace are restored everywhere. Only thus can we pursue our normal commercial relations.