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Establishment of Canada-United States Joint Defense
Production Committee

On November 8, 1941, the Prime Minister of Canada and the President of the United States had accepted a recommendation of the Joint Defense Production Committee established for the purpose of coordinating most effectively the production of defense materiel for the two countries. The Joint Defense Production Committee follows:

(A) At Hyde Park on April 30, 1941, the Prime Minister of Canada and the President of the United States agreed as a general principle that in mobilizing the resources of this country for the production of defense materiel, the Government should be coordinated with the Government of the United States.

(B) The two Governments have established Joint Defense Production Committees in the field of primary materiel (the Joint Defense Production Committee) and in the field of general economic mobilization (the Joint Economic Committee).

(C) No mechanism has been established for the specific purpose of most effectively coordinating production of the two countries for the production of defense materiel.

RECOMMENDATIONS:
(1) That the Government of Canada and the United States establish a Joint Committee on Defense Production to survey the capacity and potential capacity for the production of defense materiel in the two countries.

(2) That the Government of Canada and the United States establish a Joint Defense Production Committee to coordinate the production of defense materiel in the two countries.

(3) That the Government of Canada and the United States establish a Joint Economic Committee to coordinate the economic mobilization in the two countries.