

- (ii) WEST COAST - That portion of BRITISH COLUMBIA lying west of the summit of the CASCADE (Coast) MOUNTAINS.

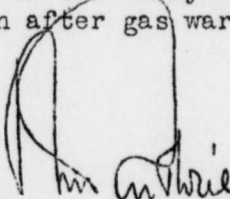
Slight:- (iii) EASTERN CANADA - That portion of QUEBEC lying between a general line SAGUENAY RIVER - RIVIERE DU LOUP - TEMISCOUATA RAILWAY and the line joining PARENT - VALLEYFIELD - INTERNATIONAL BOUNDARY inclusive.

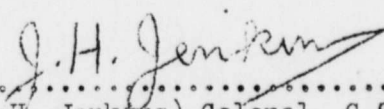
- (iv) WESTERN CANADA - That portion of BRITISH COLUMBIA lying east of the CASCADE (Coast) MOUNTAINS.

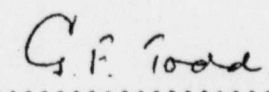
3. In the original assessment of liability to air attack, depicted in a map approved by the Chiefs of Staff Committee at their 172nd Meeting on 21st July, 1942, that portion of ONTARIO lying east of a line JAMES BAY - SAULT STE. MARIE inclusive was included in the areas designated under slight risk of air attack. In omitting this area in the present assessment, the Sub-Committee considers that its retention in the former category is not warranted in the light of (a) the means available to the German Air Force to conduct an attack so far inland and (b) the relatively more attractive and accessible targets closer to the Atlantic seaboard.

4. As regards the danger of sabotage, explosion, etc., referred to by the Director of Civil Air Raid Precautions in paragraph 5(A)(4) of his memorandum, the Sub-Committee considers that this is a matter for the Royal Canadian Mounted Police rather than the Defence Departments and, therefore, should be referred by the Director to the R.C.M.P.

5. The Sub-Committee reviewed the possibility of utilization of gas in enemy attacks on the East and West coasts of Canada, by air or otherwise. It is not considered that a gas attack on Canada will precede the general introduction of gas warfare. Further, in view of the very limited scale of attack against Canada envisaged, the technical difficulties of transporting effective quantities of gas in very long range aircraft and/or aircraft carriers, and the relatively limited effectiveness of bombardment of land objectives by gas-filled shells, the Sub-Committee considers that, while the use of gas (as a spray or in projectiles) is not impossible, it is highly doubtful if the enemy will employ this form of attack against Canada even after gas warfare has broken out elsewhere.


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