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INTERNATIONAL NEGOTIATIONS AND AGREEMENTS

1. Visit to Canada of Mr. Leon Marchal,  
press statement of September 7, 1942.

On September 7, 1942, the Department of External Affairs announced that Mr. Leon Marchal has been in Canada charged with a special mission from the French National Committee. Mr. Marchal has had satisfactory talks with officials of the Department and is now returning to Washington.

2. Wheat Agreement between Canada and the U.S.S.R.,  
press statement of September 8, 1942.

An Agreement has been signed, providing for the extension of a credit to the Government of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics of \$10,000,000 to cover purchases of Canadian wheat and flour, according to an announcement made today by the Office of the Honourable James A. MacKinnon, Minister of Trade and Commerce.

The Agreement was signed on September 8 by the Honourable Vincent Massey, High Commissioner for Canada in London, on behalf of the Government of Canada, and Mr. Ivan Maisky, the Soviet Ambassador in London, on behalf of the Government of the U. S. S. R.

In accordance with the terms of the Agreement, the Canadian Government agree to give to the Soviet Government a credit of \$10,000,000 for the purchase of Canadian wheat and flour on a delivered basis of f.o.b. North American sea-board. The cost of ocean transport is not to be a charge under the credit. The credit is for a period of three years and is repayable at the end of three years by four equal semi-annual instalments extending over the following two years.

The credit is retroactive to cover the value of all the Canadian wheat and flour which has been shipped to Soviet Russia during the past few months through the agency of the United Kingdom Ministry of Food. A supplementary agreement has also been concluded between the various parties concerned, whereby arrangements will be made for the delivery of Canadian wheat and flour out of stocks in North America belonging to the United Kingdom Ministry of Food, and for the transportation of these stocks to Soviet Russia.