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*Le secrétaire d'État aux Affaires extérieures
à la délégation au Comité sur le désarmement*

*Secretary of State for External Affairs
to Delegation to Disarmament Committee*

TELEGRAM N-100

Ottawa, February 8, 1963

CONFIDENTIAL. OPIMMEDIATE.

DISARMAMENT: RESUMPTION OF ENDC

Following for General Burns from SSEA:

It will be of the greatest importance to make a concerted effort from the outset of the resumed session on Tuesday to bring about rapid progress in the ENDC. This is a decisive stage in the life of the Conference when the negotiations could well stand or fall on what can be accomplished in the next few weeks. Moreover, it is of the utmost importance in Canada that the ENDC demonstrate its ability to reach concrete agreements, particularly on a test ban, if continued support for the negotiations is to be maintained.

2. I therefore wish you to take the initiative, both in private and in meetings of the Committee, to bring maximum pressure to bear on the nuclear powers to reach agreement on cessation of tests. You should also use every opportunity to encourage non-aligned delegations to present a forceful and united position which will leave no doubt as to the reaction of world public opinion if the nuclear powers should fail to reach agreement without delay. It is our considered opinion that the technical basis for a treaty already exists, and that what is required now amounts simply to a final, essentially political, decision to reach complete agreement. I believe that our role in these circumstances is to focus and guide the efforts of those who share our views in a way which will accomplish this result as soon as possible.

[H.C.] GREEN

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*Le secrétaire d'État aux Affaires extérieures
à la délégation au Comité sur le désarmement*

*Secretary of State for External Affairs
to Delegation to Disarmament Committee*

TELEGRAM N-26

Ottawa, February 25, 1963

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DISARMAMENT: CESSATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS TESTS

PERSONAL for General Burns from SSEA:

Your statement on above subject at Friday's meeting (your telegram 50 February 22+) was very valuable in further underlining the great importance of early agreement on a test ban. I wish you and other members of the delegation to take every opportunity to maintain and increase the pressure you have brought to bear up to now, both in your private conversations with Western, neutral and Communist delegations, and by continuing to emphasize position set out in paragraph 2 below in your statements to the Committee.