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States and the United Kingdom Governments for full Canadian membership on this Board. No reply has yet been received. The Chairman of the British Food Mission in Washington, Mr. Brand, and the United States Executive Secretary of the Board, Mr. Wheeler, recently visited Ottawa to discuss the request. They indicated that there were very serious difficulties in the way of full Canadian membership. Their chief argument centered around the contention that if Canada were added to the Board, several other countries would have an equal claim to membership. An alternative scheme was advanced by Mr. Brand which involved the right of a Canadian representative to full information on the Board's proceedings and to be present at discussions when Canadian interests were directly affected. It was suggested that Canada should be fully represented on the Committees depending on the Board, and also that a joint Agricultural Policy Committee should be set up between Canada and the United States in Ottawa. The chief items in Mr. Brand's compromise have been held by the Government to be unacceptable on the ground that top-level participation in the work of the Board is essential. It was felt that if membership on the Board is refused a method of co-operation like that in effect in respect of raw materials and like the suggestion of Mr. Donald Nelson respecting the Production Board might meet the situation. This could take the form of a small Canadian-United States Committee tied in with the