

territory. The agreement was acceptable to the Imperial War Graves Commission and to the Government of Norway which would agree to recognize the Commission as the sole authority charged on behalf of the Commonwealth countries with the permanent care of Commonwealth cemeteries, graves and memorials in Norwegian territory. It was recommended that the agreement be approved as drafted.

An explanatory memorandum had been circulated.

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67. The Cabinet approved the recommendation of the Minister of National Defence and agreed that full powers be issued to the Canadian Minister in Norway to execute on behalf of Canada the proposed agreement between Commonwealth countries and Norway concerning war graves in Norwegian territory; an Order in Council to be passed accordingly.

Assignment of radio frequencies; agreement with
the United States

68. The Secretary of State for External Affairs reported that, since the International Telecommunications Union Radio Conference in 1947, several conferences had been held to prepare frequency assignment plans for the various types of radio services and a further conference was now being held for this purpose in Geneva. It had been generally accepted that frequencies below 4,000 kilocycles were not suitable for long-distance international communications, and that assignments in the frequency bands below 4,000 kilocycles should be first settled on a regional basis and later referred to international radio conferences. In preparation for the present conference in Geneva, U.S. and Canadian authorities had worked out agreements on the use by the two countries of frequencies in the bands below 2,000 kilocycles and the U.S. government had now proposed that the details of these informal agreements be embodied in an exchange of notes.

With the concurrence of the Minister of Transport, he recommended the conclusion of an exchange of notes with the United States on the basis of the draft submitted.

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