(vii) United States imports. It was agreed that this suggestion is deserving of careful consideration and should be more fully explored with a view to the drawing up of proposals for submission to the Canadian Government at the appropriate time.

(viii) Government Agreements.

The Secretary was instructed to obtain a list of various Acts enacted by the Government of Newfoundland to date granting or confirming agreements granting special tax concessions etc., to private parties. He was also asked to obtain a statement showing, over the past two or three years, the total income tax paid to the Newfoundland Government by (a) Mining Companies operating in Newfoundland and (b) Companies operating in Newfoundland whose main business comprises the sale of electricity, steam and gas.

(ix) Personal Income Tax. It was agreed that this and other matters relative to income tax should be discussed by the delegation with the Assessor of Taxes.

(x) Matters for consideration after Confederation.

These matters were noted briefly by the delegation with particular regard to (h) thereof. Mr. Smallwood recommended that a record should be made now of the advisability of the delegation urging the Canadian Government to construct airports at various strategic places throughout Newfoundland. He had good reason to believe that they would react favourably to such a request although they would not be prepared to include an undertaking to do so as one of the terms of Confederation.

The Secretary was instructed to send an acknowledgement of this letter to the Association.

## LETTER FROM CIVIL SERVICE ASSOCIATION DATED AUGUST 11TH, 1948<sup>†</sup>

19. The Secretary was instructed to send a reply to the Association clarifying the points raised by them in this letter and enclosing copies of the Canadian Civil Service Act and Superannuation Act together with the Constitution and Reports of the Civil Service Association of Canada. It should be suggested to the Association that they study these documents and they should also be informed that if, after so doing, there are any further points which they may wish to take up with the delegation, the delegation would be pleased to discuss them with representatives of the Association in conjunction with the Secretary for Finance.

## LETTER FROM THE BOARD OF TRADE DATED THE 13TH AUGUST, 1948<sup>8</sup>

20. The Secretary was instructed to reply to this letter along the lines agreed in Minute 17 in the case of the Associated Newfoundland Industries Ltd.

TELEGRAM FROM NFLD. FEDERATION OF LABOUR<sup>†</sup>

22. The Chairman referred to a telegram received by him from the Nfld. Federation of Labour in Convention at Grand Falls, copy of which had already

<sup>8</sup>cVoir le document 1039.

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