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above he did not know the Canadian Government intended with the approval of the United States Government to send certain personnel to St. Pierre in order to secure control of the wireless station by peaceful means and if this failed by force. On learning this General de Gaulle had addressed a letter to the Foreign Secretary in which he protested against such a decision being taken without consultation with him and had declared the National Committee would lose its reasons for Existence if it agreed to forceful action being taken by the Allied forces on French Territory. General de Gaulle had asked that his views should be brought to the notice of the Canadian Government. This was done by telegram on December 24th. Free French Delegation in the United States had been already instructed to inform the State Department. A summary of this letter went to you in my telegram No. 7216.

4. It was pointed out to Mons. Dejean that General de Gaulle in his letter had not withdrawn his assurance of December 17th which His Majesty's Government had conveyed to Washington and Ottawa. H.M. Government were now placed in an embarrassing position and they would have to inform the Canadian and United States Government that General de Gaulle had without consulting/