and he was inclined to make concessions for this reason. They did not want to create a situation in which there would be two bosses. He suggested that the difficulty might be overcome by requesting the commander "through the United States" to provide reports. He wondered also if the situation might be covered by the fourth section according to which the United States would designate the commander. It might be that the designation implied that the commander would report back through the United States.

- 4. I told Cordier further that on the whole we thought it better not to set up a Committee at this time.
- 5. Cordier said that they were still hoping to have a Council meeting on Thursday, but it might be postponed until Friday if necessary, in order to make sure that agreement is reached on the question of command. He is engaged in sounding out various delegations on this draft.
- 6. I reported my conversations with Cordier immediately to Mr. Wrong by telephone so that he would know the state of developments at this end.

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Le secrétaire d'État aux Affaires extérieures au délégué permanent par intérim auprès des Nations Unies

Secretary of State for External Affairs to Acting Permanent Delegate to United Nations

TELEGRAM 327

Ottawa, July 5, 1950

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Repeat Washington EX-1073; London No. 952.

Following for Holmes from Heeney, Begins: Your telegram No. 443 of the 5th of July: Proposed Security Council resolution on Korea.

As LePan told Carter over the telephone this afternoon, there is one further comment which we would like you to pass on to Cordier in addition to those mentioned in paragraph 2 of your telegram under reference.

2. In paragraph 2 of Wrong's teletype 1473 of the 4th of July, he indicated that under the draft United States resolution all members of the United Nations will be recommended "to assist in restoring peace and security in the area of Korea". We are nervous about the phrase "in the area of Korea" and feel strongly that it should be replaced simply by "Korea". You will be aware that on previous occasions the United States Government has given a very broad interpretation to similar phrases which have included the formula, "in the area of". We would not wish the resolution to contain anything which would suggest that we are in any way involved in the decision of the United States Government to defend Formosa. We regard the order of President Truman to the Seventh Fleet to prevent any attack on Formosa as a decision taken by the United States Government alone and on its own authority. It does not flow in any way from a decision by the United Nations. As a member of the United Nations we have a responsibility, pursuant to the resolutions of the