NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY ORGANIZATION

The Department of External Affairs released on October 15 the text of a draft Protocol to the North Atlantic Treaty on the accession of Greece and Turkey* which had been agreed upon by the North Atlantic Council Deputies and made public in all the NATO capitals the same day. Following signature, the Canadian Parliament will in due course be asked to approve the ratification of the Protocol. When all twelve present signatories of the Treaty have duly signed and ratified the Protocol, a definitive invitation will be extended to the Governments of Greece and Turkey to accede to the North Atlantic Treaty.

THE PROTOCOL TO THE NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY ON THE ACCESSION OF GREECE AND TURKEY

The Parties to the North Atlantic Treaty, signed at Washington on April 4, 1949.

Being satisfied that the security of the North Atlantic area will be enhanced by the accession of the Kingdom of Greece and the Republic of Turkey to that Treaty,

Agree as follows:

ARTICLE I

Upon the entry into force of this Protocol, the Government of the United States of America shall, on behalf of all the Parties, communicate to the Government of the Kingdom of Greece and the Government of the Republic of Turkey an invitation to accede to the North Atlantic Treaty, as it may be modified by Article II of the present Protocol. Thereafter the Kingdom of Greece and the Republic of Turkey shall each become a Party on the date when it deposits its instrument of accession with the Government of the United States of America in accordance with Article 10 of the Treaty.

ARTICLE II

If the Republic of Turkey becomes a Party to the North Atlantic Treaty, Article 6 of the Treaty shall, as from the date of the deposit by the Government of the Republic of Turkey of its instrument of accession with the Government of the United States of America, be modified to read as follows:

For the purpose of Article 5, an armed attack on one or more of the Parties is deemed to include an armed attack —

- (i) on the territory of any of the Parties in Europe or North America, on the Algerian Departments of France, on the territory of Turkey or on the islands under the jurisdiction of any of the Parties in the North Atlantic area north of the Tropic of Cancer;
- (ii) on the forces, vessels or aircraft of any of the Parties, when in or over these territories or any other area in Europe in which occupation forces of any of the Parties were stationed on the date when the Treaty entered into force, or the Mediterranean Sea or the North Atlantic area north of the Tropic of Cancer.

See External Affairs, October 1951, p. 322.