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Dear Norman:

We have heard from London that some consideration had been given to the answer to be made in the case of press enquiries about Miss Willsher's arrest. The only point to which I think I need call your attention is that, if the question is being, or to be, put whether there was consultation between the Canadian and United Kingdom Governments before the arrest took place, the answer should be in the affirmative. Otherwise it was proposed to say that the matter was sub judice and that, therefore, no statement could be made but to supply very brief particulars of her engagements and service in this Office.

Yours sincerely,

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