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The Department of External Affairs announced today the release of a report entitled, "The Colombo Plan for Co-operative Economic Development in South and South-East Asia", in the capitals of seven members of the Commonwealth - Australia, Ceylon, India, New Zealand, Pakistan, the United Kingdom and Canada. This report was prepared at the recent meeting of the Commonwealth Consultative Committee in London in September and October 1950. In Canada, copies of the report may be obtained (50 cents) from the King's Printer, Ottawa.

Attached are: (a) a summary of the report (b) the text of a press release which together with the summary, is being issued today in Washington by the Information Offices of Commonwealth members concerned. This release briefly describes the origins and broad purposes of the Plan.

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