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THE DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT A GROUP OF LEADING JOURNALISTS FROM EUROPEAN NATO COUNTRIES WILL ARRIVE IN OTTAWA FROM PARIS VIA REAF AIRCRAFT ON SUNDAY, JUNE 2 TO BEGIN A 20-DAY TOUR OF CANADA. THIS IS THE FOURTH TOUR OF THIS COUNTRY BY JOURNALISTS FROM THE THIRTEEN EUROPEAN NATO COUNTRIES SPONSORED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS IN CO-OPERATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE AND OTHER GOVERNMENT AGENCIES AND A NUMBER OF PRIVATE ORGANIZATIONS. IT IS ONE OF A SERIES OF TOURS OF NATO-COUNTRIES ARRANGED BY THE NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY ORGANIZATION DURING 1957, THE PURPOSE OF WHICH IS TO ENABLE JOURNALISTS TO GAIN A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF THE ROLE EACH MEMBER COUNTRY PLAYS IN THE ATLANTIC ALLIANCE.

AS LAST YEAR'S NATO TOUR OF CANADA WAS CENTERED MAINLY ON WESTERN AND NORTHERN CANADA, THIS YEAR'S IS LARGELY FOCUSSED ON EASTERN CANADA. AFTER A PROGRAMME IN OTTAWA, INCLUDING BRIEFINGS BY VARIOUS GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS, THE NATO PARTY WILL LEAVE OTTAWA ON JUNE 5 TO VISIT ATOMIC ENERGY OF CANADA AT CHALK RIVER AND ON JUNE 6 TO BEGIN A CIRCULAR TOUR TO TORONTO AND NIAGARA FALLS, ONTARIC, CIMLI AND CHURCHILL, MANITOBA; SCHEFFERVILLE (KNOB LAKE), QUEBEC CITY AND MONTREAL, QUEBEC; HALIFAX AND THE ANNAPOLIS VALLEY, NOVA SCOTIA; AND ST. JCHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND. DURING THE TOUR THE JOURNALISTS WILL SEE EUTABLISHMENTS OF CANADA'S THREE ARMED SERVICES AT CHURCHILL, QUEBEC CITY, ST. HUBERT AND HALIFAX. IN ADDITION, AT THE RCAF STATION AT GIMLI, MANITOBA, THEY WILL HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO TALK WITH NATO AIRMEN FROM EUROPE WHO ARE RECEIVING INSTRUCTIONS THERE UNDER THE CANADIAN NATO AIRCREW TRAINING PROGRAMME.

THE JOURNALISTS WILL TOUR INDUSTRIAL PLANTS, IRON MINES, POWER DEVELOPMENTS, THE ST. LAWRENCE SEAWAY, AND ALSO VISIT UNIVERSITIES AND THE HOMES OF IMMIGRANTS, FROM THE JOURNALISTS OWN COUNTRIES, IN ORDER TO SEE AT FIRST-HAND MANY ASPECTS OF CANADIAN LIFE.

NATO JOURNALISTS! TOUR OF CANADA

Conducting Officers

NATO Mr. Paul Lieven

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NATO Journalists Tour of Canada June, 1957

Fri. 31 May	Hours	ITINERARY NATO programme (Paris)
Sat. 1 June	2200 Paris time	Depart Paris via Azores
Sun. 2 June	1830 EDT	Arrive Uplands Airport
	1845	Bus to Chateau Laurier
		Evening free
Mon. 3 June	0930	Foreign policy briefings East Block
	1100-1145	Tour of Parliament Buildings
		Picnic lunch at Experimental Farm
	1430-1630	Briefing at National
	1730	Bus leaves Chateau Laurier for Country Club
	1800-2000	Official reception Country Club
Tues. 4 June	0915	Leave Chateau Laurier for Langevin Building
	0930-1100	Northern Affairs briefing
,	1130-1230	Citizenship & Immigration Briefing Woods Building
	1240	Lunch at Madam Burgers
: :		Afternoon and evening free
Wed. 5 June	0830	Leave Chateau Laurier for Chalk River
		Programme at Chalk River
	2000	Return to Chateau Laurier .
		Balance of evening free
Thurs.6 June	1000	Depart Uplands Airport for Toronto via Seaway, weather permitting
	1200	Arrive Malton, depart for Royal York Hotel
		Lunch at hotel
Fri. 7 June	1430	Tour of Toronto(Supermarket, housing development etc.)
	Evening	Election Meetings
	Morning	Free
	1400	Visit afternoon Newspaper
	1530	University of Toronto
•	1730	Visits to immigrant families

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Hours 0900	Depart by bus for Niagara
	Day at Niagara Falls
1800	Depart Malton Airport for Gimli, Manitoba
2215 CST	Arrive Gimli
	Programme at Gimli - NATO trainees
1530	Depart Gimli
1715	Arrive Churchill
	Programme at Churchill (Base, fort, townsite and chapel, rocket launching site)
1030	Depart Churchill
1730 EDT	Arrive Knob Lake, Quebec.
	Iron Ore Company of Canada programme (Possibility of visit to Seven Island
0930	Depart Knob Lake
1135	Arrive Quebec. Leave for Au Relais-Government Hostel Laurentide Provincial Park
0930	Depart Au Relais
1100	Arrive Quebec City, Chateau Frontenac
1400	Tour of City
1630	Visit to Laval University
·	Evening free
0930-1145	Visit to Anglo Canadian Co. Pulp and Paper mill
1200	Visit to Citadel lunch at Officers Mess
	Balance of day free
1100	Leave Quebec Airport for Montreal
1240	Arrive Windsor : Hotel
1415	Tour of Montreal
1800	Visits to inmigrants (optional)
1000	Leave hotel for tour of St. Lawrence Seaway developments
1630	Visit CBC I.S.
2000	Dinner Au Lutin Qui Bouffe Restaurat
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1030	Visit to Canadair
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Wed. 19 June	Hours 0930	Programme at RCAF Station St. L'Hubert, briefing, scramble and flypast
	1030	Depart St. Hubert
	1345 (Halifax time)	Arrive HMCS Shearwater RCN Air Station
	1400-1700	Visit to H.M.C.S. Shearwater and H.M.C.S. Stadacona
	2000	Dinner H.M.C.S. Stadacona
Thurs.20June	0830	Circular Tour of South Shore of Annapolis Valley
		Picnic lunch en route
	1900	Return to Halifax
		Evening free
Fri. 21 June	0900	Visit to Destroyer Escort
~	1500	Depart Halifax for St. John's Newfoundland
	1815 (Nfld. time)	Arrive Torbay Airport
	1930	Arrive St. John's Hotel - "The Newfoundland"
Sat. 22June		Tour of St. John's and environs
	2700	Depart Torbay Airport
Sun.23 June	1400	Arrive Paris

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