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INTERNATIONAL NEGOTIATIONS AND AGREEMENTS

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1. Notification by the United Kingdom, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, and India with regard to according privileges of the Prisoners of War Convention to captured merchant sailors of Finland, Roumania and Hungary, June 2, 1943.
 2. Final Act of United Nations Conference on Food and Agriculture, June 3, 1943.
 3. Exchange of notes between Canada and the United Kingdom regarding the amendment of Appendix IV to the Commonwealth Air Training Plan, May 25, June 23, June 28, 1943.
 4. Exchange of notes between Canada and the United Kingdom recording arrangements for establishing a Canadian Trans-Atlantic Air Service, July 15 and 16, 1943.
 5. Exchange of notes between Canada and Newfoundland recording arrangements for establishing a Canadian Trans-Atlantic Air Service, July 19 and 30, 1943.
 6. Exchange of notes between Canada and the United States recording an agreement regarding the name of the Alaska Highway, July 19, 1943.
 7. Exchange of notes between Canada and the United States concerning the establishment of an aircraft ferry service between Columbus and Montreal, August 13 and 18, 1943.
 8. Exchange of notes providing for reciprocal exemption of persons resident in Canada and British Guiana from income tax on earnings derived from the operation of ships, July 7 and September 3, 1943.
 9. Agreement between Canada and the United States respecting jurisdiction over prizes, August 3 and September 27, 1943.
 10. Exchange of ratifications of Trade Agreement between Canada and Chile, signed at Santiago, September 10, 1941: September 29, 1943.

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(B) OFFICIAL STATEMENTS AND RELEASES CONCERNING EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

1. Recognition of the new government of the Argentine Republic - reply by Prime Minister to question in House of Commons, June 9, 1943.
2. Report of Combined Production and Resources Board - press release of June 11, 1943.
3. United Nations Conference on Food and Agriculture - statement by the Prime Minister in the House of Commons, June 14, 1943.
4. Inauguration of Canadian government wartime trans-Atlantic air service - Minister of Munitions and Supplies' announcement in the House of Commons, June 16, 1943.
5. International Relief - statement by Prime Minister in the House of Commons, June 18, 1943.
6. Canadian-Soviet Friendship Rally in Toronto: address by the Prime Minister - press release of June 22, 1943.
7. Message of thanks from Soviet Union for gift of Canadian government icebreaker, "Montcalm" - press release of June 24, 1943.
8. Dominion Day messages from representatives of other countries - statement by the Prime Minister in the House of Commons, July 2, 1943.
9. Debate on Estimates of Department of External Affairs, July 9 to 13, 1943 - statements by the Prime Minister in the House of Commons concerning:
 - Canada's place among United Nations and post-war security arrangements
 - the refugee problem and the Bermuda Conference
 - the establishment of Canadian Legations abroad
 - the Alaska Highway and Northwest defence projects
 - relations with Latin America
 - recognition of the French Committee of National Liberation
 - policy regarding Japanese in Canada
 - policy on Chinese immigration
 - attitude towards entry of Newfoundland into the Confederation
 - the International Red Cross.
10. Canadians in Japanese hands: BBC broadcast of August 16 - press release of same date; sailing of Far Eastern exchange ship "Gripsholm" - press release of August 21, 1943.
11. The Quebec Conference, joint statement by the President of United States and Prime Minister of United Kingdom - press release of August 24, 1943.
12. Note recognizing the French Committee of National Liberation - press release of August 26, 1943.
13. Further requirements for mail to persons in Japanese hands - press release of September 1, 1943.
14. Statement broadcast by Prime Minister on unconditional surrender of Italy - press release of September 8, 1943.
15. Tribute to Canada's war effort by Belgian Minister - press release of September 9, 1943.
16. Exchange of ratifications of Trade Agreement between Canada and Chile - press release of September 29, 1943.
17. Warning concerning the possible release of Canadian prisoners in Italy - press release of October 2, 1943.

18. Christmas cards for Canadian prisoners of war and civilian internees in Europe - press release of October 6, 1943.
19. Canadians in Japanese hands : list of twelve names of internees in Far East - press release of October 7, 1943; list of names of those being repatriated via "Gripsholm" - press release of October 13, 1943.
20. Statement by the Prime Minister on co-belligerency of Italy - press release of October 7, 1943.
21. Meeting of Commonwealth governments in London on the future of civil air transport - press release of October 8, 1943.
22. Supplies for Canadian prisoners of war in the Far East - press release of October 15, 1943.
23. Repatriation movements between the Allies and Germany - press release of October 19, 1943.
24. Signature of an agreement for supplies to the Soviet Union - press release of October 19, 1943.
25. Background information on the repatriation movements - press release of October 24, 1943.
26. Message from the Prime Minister to the President of Czechoslovakia on the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Republic - press release of October 28, 1943.
27. Message of thanks from the Prime Minister to the British community at Sao Paulo for its gift of money to the Canadian war effort - press release of October 28, 1943.
28. Canadian membership in the Combined Food Board - press release of October 29, 1943.

(C) COMMONWEALTH AND FOREIGN GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES IN CANADA

1. The Hon. F.E.H. Groenman, Minister of the Netherlands died in Ottawa during June, following a long illness. Mr. G. W. Boissevain, Counsellor of Embassy in Washington, was shortly afterwards transferred to Ottawa as Charge d'Affaires ad interim.
2. Mr. Feodor Gousev, Soviet Minister, returned to Moscow from Ottawa on June 25. Mr. G.I. Tounkin was named Charge d'Affaires ad interim.
3. The Hon. Ray Atherton, United States Minister, presented his letters of credence to the Governor General on August 3. The Hon. Per Wijkman, Swedish Minister, presented his letters of credence the next day.
4. Among the leading representatives of the British and United States governments attending the Quebec Conference were the following : for the United Kingdom, the Rt. Hon. Sir John Anderson, Lord Privy Seal, the Rt. Hon. Anthony Eden, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, the Rt. Hon. Lord Leathers, Minister of War Transport, the Rt. Hon. Brendan Bracken, Minister of Information, Sir Alexander Cadogan, Permanent Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs; for the United States, the Hon. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, Mr. Henry Hopkins, Mr. Averall Harriman, and Mr. Stephen Early.
5. Dr. Yiu Ming, Director of the Office of the Chinese Ministry of Information in Canada, established headquarters in Montreal during the month of October.
6. The Soviet Legation informed this Department at the end of October that they had purchased two properties: the first, at 14 Range Road, for offices of the Military Attache; the second, at 24 Blackburn Avenue, for offices of the Commercial Attache.

VISITS BY COMMONWEALTH AND FOREIGN DIGNITARIES AND OFFICIALS

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1. Dr. Eduard Benes, President of Czechoslovakia was in Ottawa from June 3 to 6. He addressed members of both Houses of Parliament, met with the diplomatic corps, and received Czechoslovak airmen training in Canada.
 2. Madame Chiang Kai-Shek visited Ottawa on June 16 and 17, and spoke before Parliament on the morning of the 16th.
 3. Mr. V.A. Sergeev and Mr. A.E. Viatkin, members of the Soviet Commissariat of Foreign Trade arrived in Ottawa on June 21 for an indefinite stay in connection with negotiations for procurement of supplies.
 4. Delegations from the Parliaments of the United Kingdom, Australia and New Zealand attended the Empire Parliamentary Association Conference, held in Ottawa from June 22 to 29. At the invitation of the Canadian group a delegation from the Congress of the United States was also present.
 5. General Henri Giraud was in Canada from July 15 to 17, visiting Ottawa, Montreal and Sorel.
 6. The Rt. Hon. H.V. Evatt, Australian Minister of External Affairs, paid a visit to Ottawa over July 15 and 16.
 7. The President of the United States visited Ottawa on August 25, the day following the conclusion of the Quebec Conference. He delivered a short address on Parliament Hill, placed a wreath on the National War Memorial, received members of the diplomatic corps, and toured Ottawa in company with the Prime Minister.
 8. Dr. Gustavo Bay, Mexican Minister of Public Welfare, made a brief call in Ottawa on September 18, on a tour that included Kingston and Montreal.
 9. The Chilean Minister of Foreign Affairs, H.E. Joaquin Fernandez Fernandez, was in Ottawa on September 29 for the exchange of ratifications of the Chilean-Canadian Trade Agreement. He and his party later proceeded to Montreal, leaving Canada on October 1.
 10. The Brazilian members of the Joint Brazil-United States Defence Commission were in Canada from October 1 to 9, conferring with Canadian military officials and inspecting establishments in Ottawa, Halifax, Quebec and Montreal.
 11. The President of Haiti, H.E. Eli Lescot visited Canada from October 6 to 13, dividing this time between Ottawa, Montreal and Quebec.
 12. General Manuel Tovarías, Chief of the Chilean Air Force, arrived in Toronto on October 2, and made a brief three-day inspection of nearby air training stations.

(E) APPOINTMENTS & CHANGES IN THE CANADIAN EXTERNAL SERVICE

1. Mr. Goldwin Smith was appointed Special Assistant in the Department on June 1.
2. Brigadier O.M.M. Kay was named Military Attache to the Legation in Chungking on July 1. He arrived in China in September.
3. The following were appointed to the permanent staff as Third Secretaries, at Ottawa, on July 1: Mr. R.A.G. Robertson, Mr. M. Cadieux, Mr. G.W. Hilborn, Mr. A.R. Menzies. At Buenos Aires, Mr. G. Sicotte was similarly appointed on the same date.
4. Mr. J.C. Macgillivray was made Acting Secretary of the High Commissioner's Office in Pretoria on July 1.
5. Mr. R.A. MacKay was appointed Special Assistant in the Department on August 1.
6. Mr. D.M. Johnson, Attache at the High Commissioner's Office in London left for military service on August 12.
7. Mr. J. Willis held the position of a Special Assistant in External Affairs from May 24 to August 15.
8. Lieutenant Colonel G.V. Gurney, M.C., succeeded Lieutenant Colonel V.B. Wedd as Military Attache in Washington during September.
9. The following appointments were made to the Department in Ottawa on October 1: Mr. R.A. MacDougall, Special Assistant; Mr. J.M.S. Careless, Head Clerk, Administrative Branch.
10. On October 4, Lieutenant Commander L.J. Nairn was appointed Temporary Vice Consul at the Consulate General in New York. He was on duty in Ottawa until October 29.
11. Mr. Jean Desy, Minister to Brazil, arrived in Ottawa on October 23 for consultation, and on October 28 held a press conference in the Department.
12. On October 25, the Prime Minister announced the appointment of Major General G.P. Vanier, D.S.O., M.C., Minister to the Allied Governments, as Representative to the French National Committee. After his departure for Algiers, Mr. Pierre Dupuy, Counsellor of the Legation to the Allied Governments, would become Charge d'Affaires ad interim, pending the appointment of a new Minister.

(F) PUBLICATIONS

1. Treaty Series 1940, No. 16: General Index to Treaty Series 1928-1940 (English and French).
2. Treaty Series 1941, No. 2: Protocol between Canada, the United Kingdom and the United States of America concerning the Defence of Newfoundland, signed in London 27th March, 1941 (English and French).
3. Treaty Series 1941, No. 5: Exchange of Notes dated March 26, 1941, between Canada and Venezuela, constituting a commercial modus vivendi. (English and French).
4. Treaty Series 1941, No. 6: Exchange of Notes, dated May 28, 1941, between Canada and the United States of America regarding wheat marketing. (English and French).
5. Treaty Series 1941, No. 8: Protocol amending the International Agreement for the Regulation of Whaling of 8th June, 1937, signed in London on 24th June, 1938 (French).
6. Treaty Series 1941, No. 9: Treaty signed in Washington on the 6th September, 1940, amending in their application to Canada certain provisions of the Treaty for the Advancement of Peace between the United Kingdom and the United States of America signed 15th September, 1914 (French).
7. Treaty Series 1941, No. 10: Supplementary Trade Agreement between Canada and the United States of America relating to Fox Furs, signed in Washington and New York on 13th December 1940 (French).
8. Treaty Series 1941, No. 11: Exchange of Notes, dated August 28 and September 4, 1941, between Canada and the United States of America, constituting an arrangement governing visits by uniformed members of the armed forces (English and French).
9. Treaty Series 1941, No. 12: Order-in-Council of the 25th September, 1941, extending indefinitely the Trade Agreement between Canada and New Zealand signed at Ottawa and Wellington on 23rd April, 1932 (French).
10. Treaty Series 1941, No. 14: Declaration by the Prime Minister of Canada and the President of the United States of America regarding cooperation for war production, made at Hyde Park on 20th April, 1941 (English and French).
11. Treaty Series 1941, No. 19: Exchange of Notes, dated November 10, 1941, between Canada and the United States of America, constituting an agreement providing for the temporary raising of the level of Lake St. Francis during low water periods (English and French).
12. Treaty Series 1941, No. 20: Exchange of Notes, dated July 22, August 7, September 5 and October 20, 1941, between Canada and the United States of America, providing for reciprocal relaxation of the load line regulations for ships making voyages on lakes and rivers (English and French).
13. Treaty Series 1942, No. 12: Agreement between Canada and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics on the establishment of direct diplomatic relations, signed in London on 12th June, 1942 (English and French).