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The Department of External Affairs announced today that twenty-one newspapermen from thirteen North Atlantic Treaty countries will start a three-week tour of Canada at Ottawa on Sunday, June 6,

Seventeen of the journalists will fly from Paris on Saturday, June 5, and will arrive at Rockcliffe Airport at 2:15 p.m. Sunday. They will be met by officials of the Departments of National Defence and External Affairs and by representatives of their countries' Missions in Ottawa. The group will be joined here by two United States correspondents, and by two Turkish correspondents at present accompanying the Prime Minister of Turkey on his United States tour.

This tour is one of a series arranged by the North Atlantic Treaty Organization in member countries and is being sponsored by the Departments of National Defence and External Affairs. The purpose is to provide an opportunity to journalists from NATO countries to observe Canada's defence installations, industrial projects and civic institutions. The group will travel approximately 8,000 miles in Canada in an RCAF North Star and will visit Ottawa, Winnipeg, Vancouver, Victoria, Whitehorse, Calgary, Rivers, Churchill, London, Toronto, Montreal, Quebec City, Arvida, Sept Iles, Halifax, St. Johns and Gander. A number of Canadian journalists have participated in similar NATO tours in Europe.

During their two and one-half day stay in Ottawa the visiting journalists will meet with members of the government, representatives of NATO Missions in Ottawa and officials of departments concerned with NATO. On Monday morning, June 7, they will meet with the Minister of National Defence and the Chairman, Chiefs of Staff. In the afternoon they will witness a fly-past of fighter aircraft at Rockcliffe Airport and then tour the capital area. On Tuesday morning they will meet with the Minister of Northern Affairs and National Resources and with the Minister of Trade and Commerce and Defence Production. They will visit the Parliament Buildings, the House of Commons and the Parliamentary Press Gallery. In the afternoon they will meet with the Secretary of State for External Affairs.

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CANADIAN TOUR OF NATO JOURNALISTS

June 6, 1954, to June 27, 1954.

MEMBERS OF THE PARTY

BELGIUM: M. R. Crabbe, La Libre Belgique
M. Walter Hautekiet, Het Laatste Nieuws

DENMARK: M. Paul de Wolff, Den Konservative General-
correspondance Denmark

FRANCE: M. Pierre Cressare, Ouest France Rennes
M. Claude Julien, Le Monde

GREECE: M. Vasilis Kazantzis, Ethnos
M. Anastasios Skouras, Vradyni

ICELAND: Mr. Haukur Snorrason, Dagur

ITALY: M. Antonio Lovato, Chain of Italian Newspapers
M. Alberto Ronchey, Free-Lance

LUXEMBOURG: M. Mathias Guillaume, Luxemburger Wort

NETHERLANDS: Mr. Anthonius Brouwers, De Zuid-Oost-Pers
Mr. Joannes H. Ersebeek, Netherlands News Agency

NORWAY: Mr. Henning Sinding Larsen, Aftenposten, Oslo

PORTUGAL: M. Morais Cabral, Diario de Noticias

TURKEY: Mr. Dogan Nadi, Cumhuriyet
Mr. Ahmet Emin Yalman, Vatan
(To join party in Ottawa, June 6.)

UNITED KINGDOM: Mr. John C. Giddings, The Western Mail, Cardiff
Mr. Thomas Pocock, The Times

UNITED STATES
OF AMERICA: Raymond Daniell, Chief Correspondent for Canada,
The New York Times. (To join party on leaving
Ottawa.)
Byron Riggan, Canadian Correspondent for Time, Inc.
(To join party on leaving Ottawa and to leave
party after Calgary.)

ESCORT OFFICERS

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NATO Information Division,
Palais de Chaillot,
Paris, France.

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NATO TOUR NO. 19

TOUR OF CANADA BY NATO JOURNALISTS

June 5th., 1954 to June 27th., 1954

THE DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE OF CANADA
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(Note re time designations: NDT, Newfoundland Daylight Time; ADT, Atlantic Daylight Time; EDT, Eastern Daylight Time; CDT, Central Daylight Time; MST, Mountain Standard Time; PDT, Pacific Daylight Time; YST, Yukon Standard Time.)

Ottawa, Ont.

Sunday, June 6 - Arrive 1415 EDT. Greeted on arrival at Rockcliffe Airport by officers of External Affairs and National Defence. Stay at Chateau Laurier Hotel. Remainder of day free.

Monday, June 7
1000 EDT Meeting with Minister of National Defence, Hon. Brooke Claxton and Chairman Chiefs of Staff, General Charles Foulkes, at National Defence Headquarters.

1130 EDT Trip on Ottawa River, courtesy of City of Ottawa.

1215 EDT Reception and luncheon at the R.C.A.F. Officers' Mess, Rockcliffe followed by a fly-past.

1500 EDT Tour of Rockcliffe and Rideau Hall followed by visit to International Paper Company newsprint mill, Gatineau Point.

1630 EDT Dinner and rest of day free for private engagements and meeting with representatives at NATO missions in Ottawa.

Tuesday, June 8
0915 EDT

Meeting with Minister of Northern Affairs and National Resources, Hon. Jean Lesage.

1000 EDT Visit to Mines and Technical Surveys, Director Dr. John Convey.

1055 EDT Visit House of Commons for question period.

1120 EDT Visit Peace Tower and Senate Chamber.

1200 EDT Meeting with Rt. Hon. C.D. Howe, Minister of Trade and Commerce, and Defence Production, and trade officials.

1230 EDT Visit Parliamentary Press Gallery.

1330 EDT Return to hotel. Lunch and afternoon free for private engagements.

1700 EDT Meeting with Secretary of State for External Affairs.

1730 EDT Reception and buffet in Railway Committee Room, Parliament Buildings, for the visitors, NATO Cabinet Ministers, NATO Ambassadors and Press Gallery.

1900 EDT Return to hotel. Dinner and evening free for private engagements.

Wed., June 9

0800 EDT Leave for Rockcliffe airport.

Winnipeg, Man.

Wed. June 9 -

1230 CDT Arrive.

1300 CDT Luncheon at R.C.A.F. Officers' Mess with trainees from NATO countries. Tour of navigation centre and briefing.

1600 CDT To Fort Garry Hotel. Dinner and evening free.

Thursday, June 10

0800 CDT Leave for airport

Vancouver, B.C.

Thursday, June 10

1200 PDT Arrive. Stay at Hotel Vancouver. Luncheon and afternoon free for private engagements, and sightseeing. Bus available to take those interested to University of British Columbia where British Empire Games will be held and tour of city.

1700 PDT Showing of film on Kitimat, "Man with a Thousand Hands" and a reception in the Kent Room of the Hotel Georgia given by the Aluminum Company of Canada. Dinner and evening free for private engagements.

Friday, June 11

0930 PDT Leave for airport.

Victoria, B.C.

Friday, June 11

1000 PDT Arrive. Stay at Empress Hotel. Visit Naval Dockyard, drydock, H.M.C.S. Naden. Luncheon at Naden.

1400 PDT By bus on sightseeing tour Royal Roads and to Butchard's Gardens. Dinner (Naden optional), evening free for private engagements.

Saturday, June 12

0900 PDT Leave for airport.

Whitehorse, Yukon

Saturday, June 12

1200 YST Arrive. Stay at Army and Air Force Quarters.

1300 YST Luncheon in Officers' Mess.

1400 YST Visit Army and Air Force installations, North West Highway System, etc. Evening free.

Sunday, June 13 - Church.

0900 YST Leave. Fly over Edmonton and oil fields.

Calgary, Alta.

Sunday, June 13
1630 MST

Arrive. Stay at Palliser Hotel. Dinner and evening free for private engagements.

Monday, June 14
0900 MST

Visit Banff and Lake Louise. (Optional)

1700 MST

Return to hotel. Dinner and evening free for private engagements.

Tuesday, June 15
0800 MST

Leave for airport.

Rivers, Man.

Tuesday, June 15
1300 CDT

Arrive. Luncheon in Officers' Mess. Accommodation on base.

1430 CDT

By bus visit Shilo and Joint Air Training Centre. Rest of day and evening free subject to local arrangements.

Wednesday, June 16
0800 CDT

Leave.

Churchill, Man.

Wednesday, June 16
1130 CDT

Arrive. Luncheon in Officers' Mess. Accommodation on base.

1400 CDT

Visit Defence installations and sightseeing. Rest of day and evening free subject to local arrangements.

Thursday, June 17
0600 CDT

Leave.

London, Ont.

Thursday, June 17
1300 EDT

Arrive. Luncheon at air training station.

1430 EDT

Tour of air training establishment.

1600 EDT

By bus to Hotel London. Dinner and evening free.

Friday, June 18, 0900 EDT - Leave for airport.

Toronto, Ont.

Friday, June 18
1000 EDT

Arrive. Tour of A.V. Roe aviation plant.

1200 EDT

Luncheon.

1330 EDT

Leave for Downsview Depot.

1600 EDT

Stay at Royal York Hotel. Dinner and evening free for private engagements.

Saturday, June 19
0900 EDT

Leave for Ontario Hydro Research Station at Islington for tour of Station.

1200 EDT

Luncheon.

1430 EDT

By bus to Malton Airport.

1500 EDT Leave. During this trip the aircraft will fly over Niagara Falls if weather suitable and also Kingston.

Montreal, Que.

Saturday, June 19

1800 EDT Arrive. Stay at Sheraton-Mount Royal Hotel.

1900 EDT Reception at Sheraton-Mount Royal Hotel given by the Montreal Men's Press Club.

Sunday, June 20 Church.

1000 EDT Leave for Alpine Inn, Ste. Marguerite's, Que. for reception and luncheon given by Vernon Cardy.

1430 EDT Return to Montreal. Afternoon, dinner and evening free for private engagements.

Monday, June 21

0900 EDT Leave for Canadair Plant.

1100 EDT Return to Montreal and House of Seagram's reception.

1230 EDT Luncheon at Sheraton-Mount Royal given by Montreal Tourist and Convention Bureau.

1430 EDT Leave for Longue Pointe to visit 25th C.O.D., largest supply depot in Canada where material sent to NATO countries by Canada is crated.

1630 EDT Return to hotel.

1830 EDT Dinner courtesy of Sheraton Hotels. Evening free.

Tuesday, June 22

0900 EDT Leave for Dorval Airport.

Quebec City, Que.

Tuesday, June 22

1000 EDT Arrive. Stay at Chateau Frontenac Hotel.

1430 EDT Visit to Canadian Arsenal Plant. Details of other events to follow.

Wednesday, June 23

0800 EDT Leave for airport.

Bagotville, Que.

Wednesday, June 23

0900 EDT Leave for Arvida. Accommodation, meals and tour of aluminum operation provided by Aluminum Company of Canada.

Thursday, June 24

0900 EDT Leave for Bagotville.

Sept Iles, Que.

Thursday, June 24
1115 ADT

Arrive. Visit iron ore installations and base. Luncheon.

1430 ADT

Leave.

Halifax, N.S.

Thursday, June 24
1715 ADT

Arrive. Stay at Nova Scotian Hotel. Dinner and evening free for private engagements.

Friday, June 25
1000 ADT

Detailed arrangements to be made by Atlantic Coast Naval Authorities and will include visit to naval dockyards and H.M.C.S. Magnificent, aircraft carrier. Details to follow.

Saturday, June 26
0900 ADT

Leave for H.M.C.S. Shearwater.

St. John's, Nfld.

Saturday, June 26
1215 NDT

Arrive Tor Bay. By bus to St. John's. Details to follow.

1930 NDT

Leave for airport.

Gander, Nfld.

Saturday, June 26
2015 NDT

Arrive.

Sunday, June 27
0900 NDT

Leave.

Paris, France

Sunday, June 27
2230 GMT

Arrive.

N.B.: During their stay in Canada, the party will be honorary members of all Service Messes and will have honorary passes to Press Clubs in Ottawa, Winnipeg, Vancouver, Toronto, Montreal and Halifax.

All times quoted above for departure and arrival are RAMP times.