

Ottawa, December, 1946.

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4. Multilateral: Instrument of ratification by Canada of the International Whaling Protocol signed at London on November 26, 1945. Signed at Ottawa, December 19, 1946.
5. Canada-Nicaragua: Trade Agreement. Signed at Managua, December 19, 1946. (Press Release No. 60, December 26.)
6. Canada-France: Exchange of Notes constituting an Agreement with respect to financial settlement between Canada and the franc area, signed on August 23 and September 11, 1945. Terminated as from January 1, 1947, by a Note from the French Ambassador dated at Ottawa, December 18, and acknowledged by the Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs on December 23, 1946.
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1. Treaty Series, 1946, No. 40: Exchange of Notes between Canada and the United States of America relating to the application and interpretation of the (Rush-Bagot) Agreement of 1817 concerning the naval forces on the Great Lakes, signed at Washington, November 18 and December 5, 1946. (See Section A.1 and Press Release No. 57, December 13)

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(D) VISITS OF COMMONWEALTH AND FOREIGN DIGNITARIES AND OFFICIALS

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1. The Prime Minister, Mr. Mackenzie King, announced on December 11 the appointment of the Rt. Hon. L.S. St. Laurent as the first full-time Secretary of State for External Affairs.
2. On December 23 the Secretary of State for External Affairs announced the appointment of Mr. John D. Kearney as the first High Commissioner for Canada to India. (Press Release No. 59)
3. Mr. W.D. Matthews, Chief Administrative Officer of the Department, returned to duty on December 2.
4. Mr. G.S. Patterson left Canada on December 21 for China where he will resume his duties as Counsellor at the Canadian Embassy in Nanking.
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1. December 10 - New York - United Nations Conference of Postal Experts. The Canadian experts were Mr. W.J. Turnbull, Deputy Postmaster General, and Mr. E.J. Underwood of the Post Office Department.
2. December 11 - Washington - Civil Aviation Meeting. The Chairman of the Canadian Delegation was the Rt. Hon. C.D. Howe, Minister of Reconstruction and Supply, and the delegates included Mr. H.J. Symington, President, Trans-Canada Airlines; Mr. R.A.C. Henry, Chairman, Air Transport Board; Mr. J.R. Baldwin of the Privy Council Office and Mr. G.P. Kidd of the Department of External Affairs.
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(G) OFFICIAL STATEMENTS AND RELEASES CONCERNING EXTERNAL RELATIONS

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(b) Press Releases

(In addition to those noted in Sections A, B and E)

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