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### RESTRICTIONS ON MOVEMENTS OF SOVIET DIPLOMATIC PERSONNEL

#### Note by the Executive Secretary

Reproduced below for the information of Council Deputies is the text of the Note delivered by the Department of External Affairs in Ottawa to the Soviet Embassy on 10th March 1952, together with the text of a press statement issued by the Department on 11th March.

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#### Text of Note Delivered to the Soviet Embassy, Ottawa, 10th March.

The Department of External Affairs presents its compliments to the Embassy of the USSR and has the honour to communicate to the Embassy the following regulations with which the Embassy is henceforth required to comply. On every occasion when any member of the staff of the Embassy or any Soviet member of the household of an Embassy staff member wishes to travel beyond a distance of 25 miles from the city limits of Ottawa, the Embassy must communicate, in writing, full details of the proposed trip to the Department of External Affairs, or, in the case of a journey by a Service Attache or a member of the Staff of a Service Attache, the appropriate Foreign Liaison Office of the Department of National Defence. This notification must be received by the Department of External Affairs, or by the Foreign Liaison Officer concerned, at least 48 hours before the time of departure from Ottawa. In its notification the Embassy must include the following information:

- (a) The names of the members of the staff of the Embassy who wish to make the journey.
- (b) The means of transportation to be employed at each stage of the journey.
- (c) The final destination of the trip, together with full details of the route to be followed at every stage of the journey away from Ottawa and returning to Ottawa.
- (d) The proposed date of departure from Ottawa and the proposed dates of arrival and departure for each point of the journey at which it is desired to make a stop-over.

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If the Embassy's notification of a proposed journey is properly submitted to the Department of External Affairs, or to the Department of National Defence, the Embassy may assume, unless it is informed to the contrary, that there is no objection to the trip.

Text of Statement issued to the Press on March 11th

The Embassy of the USSR has been informed that it must henceforth notify the Department of External Affairs in advance of any trip more than 25 miles from Ottawa taken by a member of the Embassy staff. This notification must be received at least 48 hours before the proposed time of departure from Ottawa. It must include the names of the Embassy staff members who intend to travel, as well as full details of the proposed itinerary, the times of arrival and departure for each point of the journey at which a stop-over is to be made, and the means of transport to be employed at each stage of the trip.

In Moscow, the Canadian Embassy is similarly required to notify the Soviet authorities in advance of any trip beyond a radius of 40 kilometres from Moscow taken by a member of the Embassy staff. In addition to this members of the Canadian Embassy staff in Moscow are prohibited from visiting a great many cities and areas of the USSR, including a good many areas within the limit of 40 kilometres from Moscow. The Soviet Government has recently made substantial additions to this list of prohibited places.

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