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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

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November 29, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: Henry A. Kissinger *B*

*GR*

SUBJECT: Trudeau Expresses Appreciation for Eberle Mission

Canadian Prime Minister Pierre Elliott Trudeau has sent you the letter at Tab A thanking you for your courtesy in sending Ambassador Eberle to Ottawa last month to explain the Administration's economic program, which you were presenting to the Congress.

The Prime Minister informs you that the presentation by the U.S. team was considered valuable by the Canadian Government. He says he shares your concern and your determination that careful steps be taken to deal with the economic situation. And, he adds that he is looking forward to discussing these and other matters with you.

Your working meeting with the Canadian Prime Minister is scheduled for December 4, 1974. His letter of thanks is forwarded for your information.

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PRIME MINISTER · PREMIER MINISTRE

O t t a w a ,  
K1A OA2,  
October 15, 1974.

Dear Mr. President,

I am writing to thank you for your courtesy in sending to Ottawa Ambassador Eberle to discuss with us the economic program that you laid before Congress last week. Both the broad compass of your program and your willingness to share your thoughts about it with the Government of Canada were applauded here. I am informed by the Ministers who spoke to Mr. Eberle - the Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Minister of Finance, and the Minister of Industry Trade and Commerce - that the discussion was valuable.

You may be assured, Mr. President, that I share with you both your concern with the present economic situation and your determination that disciplined, careful steps must be taken in order to deal with it. The fragility of the world economic structure demands mature statesmanship and I rejoice at your clear declaration of

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The President of the United States of America,  
The White House,  
Washington, D.C.,  
U. S. A.



leadership. Canada supports without qualification liberalization of world trade and stability in all aspects of the international economic structure.

I look forward very much to an early opportunity of discussing these and other matters with you.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "J. J. Auden". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed name "J. J. Auden".

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Canadian Embassy



Ambassade du Canada

1746 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20036.

November 5, 1974.

Dear Mr. Rumsfeld,

I would be grateful if you could convey to President Ford the attached letter dated October 15, which we have just received by diplomatic courier from Prime Minister Trudeau, expressing appreciation for the visit that Ambassador Eberle made to Ottawa on October 8.

I know that Mr. Trudeau is looking forward, as noted at the end of the attached letter, to the discussions which he will be having with the President on December 4.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "M. Cadieux".

M. Cadieux,  
Ambassador.


The Honorable Donald Rumsfeld,  
Assistant to the President,  
The White House,  
Washington, D.C.



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ACTION  
November 12, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARY KISSINGER

FROM: A. Denis Clift 

SUBJECT: Trudeau Thanks President for Eberle Mission

Prime Minister Trudeau has written the President to thank him for his courtesy in sending Ambassador Eberle to Ottawa last month to review the Administration's economic program. He informs the President that the Canadians found their discussions with the U.S. team valuable, and he says that he is looking forward to discussing economic and other matters personally with the President.

(NOTE: The Trudeau letter was sent by Cadieux to Don Rumsfeld and did not make its way to the NSC until November 8. While in the case of this correspondence, no problem has been caused by the time lag, it is of interest in that I have learned from Cadieux's executive assistant that the Ambassador is trying hard to meet with Rumsfeld prior to the Trudeau visit. I reminded the assistant that your office would be the appropriate channel for discussion of substantive matters relating to the visit.)

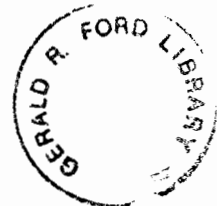
You may wish to forward the Trudeau letter to the President, inasmuch as it offers another indication of the favorable foreign reaction to the Eberle mission. The memorandum at Tab I would do this.

Bob Hormats concurs.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the memorandum at Tab I.

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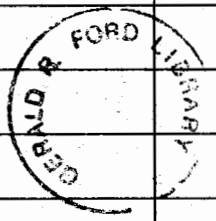
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SUBJECT: *Goal letter from Canadian PM Trudeau re Lynch Cheke visit to Canada to discuss US Economic program*

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SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL LETTER

FOR THE AMBASSADOR

PLEASE DELIVER THE FOLLOWING LETTER FROM PRESIDENT FORD AT  
THE EARLIEST OPPORTUNITY ON JANUARY 15 AND IN ANY EVENT  
PRIOR TO NOON WASHINGTON TIME.

FOR ROME -- DELIVER TO:  
HIS EXCELLENCY  
ALDO MORO  
PRIME MINISTER OF THE ITALIAN REPUBLIC  
ROME

FOR TOKYO -- DELIVER TO:  
HIS EXCELLENCY  
TAKEO MIKI  
PRIME MINISTER OF JAPAN  
TOKYO

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FOR OTTAWA -- DELIVER TO  
THE RIGHT HONORABLE  
PIERRE-ELIOTT TRUDEAU  
PRIME MINISTER OF CANADA  
OTTAWA

BEGIN TEXT

DEAR MR. PRIME MINISTER:

THIS WEDNESDAY, IN MY STATE OF THE UNION ADDRESS, I WILL FORMALLY PRESENT POLICIES TO MEET THE ECONOMIC AND ENERGY CHALLENGES WHICH ARE OF MAJOR IMPORTANCE TO THE UNITED STATES AND TO THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY. I SHALL, AT THAT TIME, MAKE A NUMBER OF DETAILED PROPOSALS, MANY OF WHICH I OUTLINED IN MY SPEECH TO THE AMERICAN PEOPLE ON MONDAY NIGHT. I WRITE YOU IN THE SPIRIT OF COLLABORATION THAT ANIMATES OUR RELATIONS TO SHARE MY THOUGHTS ON THESE NEW MEASURES.

OUR COUNTRIES AND OUR KEY TRADING PARTNERS HAVE RECENTLY BEEN STRUGGLING WITH UNEMPLOYMENT, INFLATION, AND ENERGY SHORTAGES. THERE ARE, AS WE KNOW, NO EASY ANSWERS TO ANY OF THESE PROBLEMS, SINGLY OR IN COMBINATION, BUT IT IS CLEAR THAT WE CANNOT AFFORD TO ADDRESS ONE ASPECT OF OUR DIFFICULTIES WHILE IGNORING THE OTHERS. MOREOVER, EACH COUNTRY MUST ACT TO ACHIEVE A BALANCE CONSISTENT WITH ITS PRIORITIES AND ITS PARTICULAR ECONOMIC CIRCUMSTANCES WHILE RECOGNIZING IT MUST ACT IN A MANNER WHICH FURTHERS RATHER THAN HARMS THE ECONOMIC WELL-BEING OF OTHER COUNTRIES.

MY POLICIES AIM TO DEAL DIRECTLY WITH THE ECONOMIC SLOWDOWN WE NOW FACE WITHOUT TRIGGERING THE MAJOR INFLATIONARY PRESSURES WHICH MIGHT RESULT FROM AN OVERLY EXPANSIONARY POLICY. A TAX CUT, ALONG WITH MEASURES TO STIMULATE INVESTMENT, SHOULD REINVIGORATE THE U.S. ECONOMY AND IMPROVE CONFIDENCE. UNDER PRESENT CONDITIONS, WE BELIEVE IT WILL NOT RESTIMULATE THE INFLATIONARY SPIRAL.

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WE ARE ALSO TAKING MAJOR STEPS TO REDUCE OUR DEPENDENCE ON IMPORTED OIL. WE ARE DETERMINED TO REDUCE OIL IMPORTS PROMPTLY AND SIGNIFICANTLY AND TO END VULNERABILITY TO ECONOMIC DISRUPTION BY FOREIGN SUPPLIERS BY 1985. IMMEDIATE ACTIONS TO CUT ENERGY IMPORTS AND TO INCREASE BOTH OUR DOMESTIC SUPPLIES AND OUR ABILITY TO USE OUR COAL, GAS, OIL AND NUCLEAR POWER ARE CLEARLY NECESSARY AS ARE STRONG MEASURES TO ENSURE ADEQUATE CONSERVATION AND A NEW EMERGENCY STORAGE PROGRAM. THESE STEPS MAKE NEW DEMANDS ON THE AMERICAN PEOPLE. AT THE SAME TIME, THEY PROVIDE THE BASIS FOR A STRONGER U.S. ECONOMY IN THE FUTURE. THIS, IN TURN, SHOULD HAVE A BENEFICIAL IMPACT ON THE INTERNATIONAL ECONOMY.

IN CLOSING, LET ME EMPHASIZE THE IMPORTANCE I HAVE ATTACHED TO HAVING HAD THE BENEFIT OF YOUR VIEWS ON THESE ISSUES IN RECENT MONTHS. WE ARE STRONGLY COMMITTED TO WORKING WITH YOUR GOVERNMENT AND OTHERS IN CONFRONTING OUR COMMON PROBLEMS. WHILE MUCH REMAINS TO BE DONE, WE ARE ENCOURAGED BY THE POSITIVE STEPS WHICH HAVE BEEN TAKEN RECENTLY. FOR OUR MUTUAL WELL-BEING, IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT WE CONTINUE DEVELOPING A COMMON APPROACH IN DEALING WITH ENERGY PROBLEMS AND THAT WE CONTINUE TO COORDINATE CLOSELY IN CONFRONTING OUR ECONOMIC DIFFICULTIES.

I LOOK FORWARD TO STAYING IN CLOSE TOUCH WITH YOU ON THESE IMPORTANT ISSUES.

SINCERELY,

GERALD R. FORD

END TEXT. KISSINGER

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PRIME MINISTER · PREMIER MINISTRE

Ottawa, K1A OA2,  
October 10, 1975.

My dear President:

On Thursday evening, October 23, the Canadian Opera Company will perform the opera "Louis Riel" at the Kennedy Center. The production forms an important portion of the Canadian Bicentennial Festival in Washington. Should you and Mrs. Ford be free that evening I should be most happy if you would accompany me as my guests to the opera performance. The evening promises to be one of relaxation and pleasure and it is in that mood that I extend this invitation.

Should it be convenient to you both, I would be delighted if you could join me and the Canadian Ambassador for an early dinner at the Canadian residence immediately prior to the performance. I will readily understand, however, if your schedule would not permit you to do so.

Margaret regrets that she will not be able to travel to Washington on this occasion, much as she would like to do so. She feels, however, and I agree, that the date follows too soon the birth of our new baby. She is confident, as am I, that there will be many other opportunities for us to meet.

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The President of the United States of America,  
The White House,  
Washington, D.C.,  
U. S. A.



With kindest personal regards.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "G. R. Ford". The signature is written in dark ink on a white background.

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20506

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October 23, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR

Mr. George S. Springsteen  
Executive Secretary  
Department of State

SUBJECT: Presidential Message to  
Prime Minister Trudeau (S/S 7521071)

Attached for transmission is a revised message to Prime  
Minister Trudeau (S/S 7521071). It has been cleared by  
Denis Clift.

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*Mike Hamlet*  
Jeanne W. Davis  
Staff Secretary



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SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE TO PRIME MINISTER

1. EMBASSY REQUESTED TO TRANSMIT FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT TO PRIME MINISTER:

"DEAR MR. PRIME MINISTER: MRS. FORD AND I HAD BEEN LOOKING FORWARD TO JOINING YOU AND MRS. TRUDEAU AT THE PERFORMANCE OF 'LOUIS RIEL' AT THE KENNEDY CENTER TONIGHT. REGRETFULLY, MY RECOVERY FROM A SOMEWHAT TROUBLESOME COLD THIS WEEK HAS NOT MADE THIS POSSIBLE.

I AM CERTAIN THIS EVENING'S PERFORMANCE WILL BE A GREAT SUCCESS. THE CANADIAN ARTS FESTIVAL, OF WHICH 'LOUIS RIEL' IS THE CENTERPIECE, IS A BICENTENNIAL GIFT WHICH IS DEEPLY APPRECIATED BY ALL AMERICANS. SINCERELY, GERALD R. FORD!"

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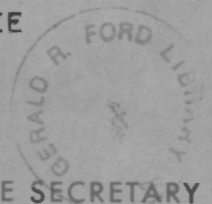
1. PLEASE DELIVER FOLLOWING LETTER FROM PRESIDENT FORD TO PRIME MINISTER URGENTLY OR IF LATTER UNAVAILABLE TO IVAN HEAD.

2. BEGIN TEXT: DEAR MR. PRIME MINISTER:

I HAVE DELAYED COMMUNICATING WITH YOU DIRECTLY ON THE FORTHCOMING ECONOMIC SUMMIT MEETING IN HOPES THAT THE ISSUE OF YOUR PARTICIPATION MIGHT YET BE RESOLVED POSITIVELY. I REGRET TO SAY, HOWEVER, THAT ALTHOUGH PRESIDENT GISCARD D'ESTAING HAS NOT YET RESPONDED TO MY MOST RECENT MESSAGE TO HIM ON THIS MATTER, I NOW SERIOUSLY DOUBT THAT HE WILL CHANGE HIS OPPOSITION BEFORE THE SUMMIT CONVENES.

AS I BELIEVE YOU KNOW FROM YOUR AMBASSADOR, I HAVE HAD SEVERAL DIRECT EXCHANGES WITH GISCARD OVER THE PAST THREE

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WEEKS. I HAD ORIGINALLY HOPED THAT OUR APPROACHES AT LOWER LEVELS WOULD SETTLE THIS ISSUE PROMPTLY. BUT THESE PROVED TO BE UNAVAILING. IN MY OWN CONTACTS WITH THE FRENCH PRESIDENT I TOLD HIM FIRMLY THAT I DEEMED IT ESSENTIAL THAT CANADA PARTICIPATE, BOTH BECAUSE OF OUR OWN DIRECT INTEREST AND BECAUSE OF CANADA'S GREAT WEIGHT INTERNATIONALLY. GISCARD'S EXPLICIT RESPONSES REFERRED TO HIS CONCERN THAT A FURTHER EXPANSION OF THE ORIGINAL GROUP WOULD REDUCE THE INFORMALITY AND FLEXIBILITY OF THE OCCASION AND TO THE DIFFICULTIES WE WOULD ENCOUNTER IN DECLINING THE CLAIMS TO PARTICIPATION FROM STILL ADDITIONAL COUNTRIES; ESPECIALLY IN EUROPE, AND FROM INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS LIKE THE OECD. I HAVE TOLD HIM CATEGORICALLY THAT I FOUND THESE REASONS UNCONVINCING AND COMPLETELY OUTWEIGHED BY THE POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC LOGIC OF YOUR PARTICIPATION.

I HAVE ALSO COMMUNICATED EITHER DIRECTLY OR THROUGH MY REPRESENTATIVES WITH THE OTHER SUMMIT PARTICIPANTS AND I KNOW THAT ALL OF THEM HAVE STRONGLY SUPPORTED YOUR PARTICIPATION. IT IS IN FACT CLEAR THAT ONLY FRANCE OBJECTS.

I HAVE NEVERTHELESS CONCLUDED THAT THE ORIGINAL PURPOSES SET FOR THIS SUMMIT MEETING REMAIN IMPORTANT AND THAT THE PROJECT SHOULD THEREFORE GO FORWARD. I BELIEVE THAT THE PEOPLES OF THE INDUSTRIALIZED WORLD, AND INDEED OF THE WORLD AT LARGE, REQUIRE A DEMONSTRATION OF POLITICAL WILL FROM THEIR LEADERS TO SHOW THAT WE ARE DETERMINED TO COPE WITH THE DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC PROBLEMS WHICH ALL OF US CONFRONT. AND IT IS PRECISELY FOR THAT REASON THAT I WAS SO ANXIOUS TO HAVE THE BENEFIT OF YOUR OWN CONTRIBUTION. I HAVE TOLD THE FRENCH THAT I WILL HAVE GREAT DIFFICULTY CONTEMPLATING ANOTHER GATHERING OF THIS KIND WITHOUT YOUR PARTICIPATION AND THAT I WILL INSIST THAT CANADA MUST BE GIVEN FULL OPPORTUNITY TO BE INVOLVED IN WHATEVER FOLLOW-UP EFFORTS MAY FLOW FROM THE SUMMIT. I WILL STRONGLY REITERATE THESE VIEWS NEXT WEEKEND.

I HAVE ADMIRERD THE RESTRAINT WITH WHICH YOU AND YOUR GOVERNMENT HAVE DEALT WITH THIS PROBLEM. I CAN ASSURE YOU AS YOUR FRIEND AND NEIGHBOR THAT WE WILL CONTINUE TO KEEP YOU FULLY INFORMED ABOUT DEVELOPMENTS CONNECTED WITH THE

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SUMMIT AND EXPECT TO COLLABORATE WITH YOU ON THE VITAL  
ISSUES THAT ARE TO BE DISCUSSED THERE.

YOURS SINCERELY, GERALD R. FORD. END TEXT KISSINGER



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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

May 28, 1976

Dear Mr. Prime Minister:

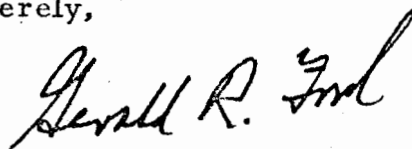
Ambassador Enders has informed me of the continuing financing difficulties that have complicated your Government's purchase of the Long-Range Patrol Aircraft. I hope that satisfactory arrangements can be worked out which will allow the program to go forward.

I am confident of your own continuing concern that we maintain adequate non-nuclear defensive and deterrent capabilities in the context of NATO's collective defense and in the defense of this continent. You are aware of the reliance that my Government places on Canada and the importance that all the Allies attach to the Long-Range Patrol Aircraft program as a means of enhancing NATO deterrent capabilities.

Given the importance we both attach to successful execution of the program in support of the common defense, early resolution of the LRPA procurement issue is eminently desirable. I recognize that any solution must conform to the fiscal framework you have established. I am asking the Defense Department to assist potential U. S. suppliers in restructuring their proposals to conform to the fiscal profile your people will set. At the same time, I hope you can authorize your associates to permit adequate budgetary allocations in the first years.

I would appreciate having your thoughts.

Sincerely,



His Excellency  
Pierre-Elliott Trudeau  
Prime Minister of Canada  
Ottawa

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL  
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Date: 28 May 1976  
NSC log # 3019

MEMORANDUM FOR:

George S. Springsteen  
Executive Secretary  
Department of State

DOCUMENT DESCRIPTION: Presidential 'green' letter to Trudeau

To: Pierre Trudeau

From:

Date: 28 May 1976

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for Jeanne W. Davis  
Staff Secretary

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20506

VIA LDX  
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May 28, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR

Mr. George S. Springsteen  
Executive Secretary  
Department of State

SUBJECT: Presidential Letter to Prime  
Minister Trudeau of Canada

We would appreciate having the Department transmit the attached letter from the President to Prime Minister Trudeau via immediate cable to Embassy Ottawa for delivery.

The original of the President's letter will be forwarded for transmittal via pouch to Ottawa.

Jeanne W. Davis  
Staff Secretary

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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

May 28, 1976

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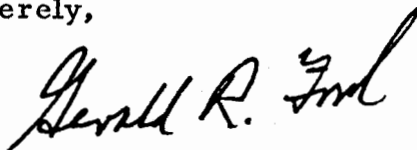
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His Excellency  
Pierre-Elliott Trudeau  
Prime Minister of Canada  
Ottawa



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TO:

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May 24, 1976

## MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: Brent Scowcroft *BS*

SUBJECT: Message to Canada on Long-Range  
Patrol Aircraft

US-Canadian relations have just been complicated by the Canadian Government's decision not to proceed with the purchase of 18 Lockheed P-3 long-range maritime patrol aircraft for the modernization of Canada's ASW capabilities -- of importance in the NATO context. The decision reflects the Cabinet's reluctance to engage the government in guarantees of private financing arrangements.

Canada made the decision to purchase the aircraft in 1975. With the Lockheed scandals this year and Lockheed's financial situation in mind, the Canadian Government devoted close attention with Lockheed and U. S. officials to the financial arrangements for the aircraft purchase, and only a few weeks ago the matter seemed to have been satisfactorily resolved. However, on May 18, Prime Minister Trudeau -- under tremendous domestic political pressure on the issue -- personally led his Cabinet in reversing the previous Canadian position and in rejecting the two most likely alternatives for the approximately \$300 million front end financing. At the NATO Ministerial Meeting in Oslo on May 21, Canadian Foreign Minister MacEachen confirmed that Canada would not be proceeding with the Lockheed purchase.

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RECOMMENDATION:

That you sign the letter at Tab A to Prime Minister Trudeau.

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ACTION  
May 24, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR BRENT SCOWCROFT

FROM:

Mr. Clift 

SUBJECT:

Ellsworth Proposal for Presidential Message to  
Trudeau on Decision Against Lockheed Aircraft

Deputy Secretary of Defense Ellsworth has sent you the memorandum at Tab II forwarding a proposed message from the President to Prime Minister Trudeau emphasizing the importance of Canada maintaining her commitment and defense force contributions to NATO -- and stating that he has requested Defense to work with the Canadians to come up with satisfactory financial arrangements for the purchase of a U.S. Long-Range Patrol Aircraft.

It is my understanding that you have touched base with the Secretary of State on this DOD proposal and that he is not enthusiastic. I do not believe a message from the President to Trudeau would be either appropriate or productive at this point. If there is a summit meeting this summer, the subject can be addressed. I believe it would be preferable to have either Secretary Rumsfeld or Bob Ellsworth communicate the desired information to Canadian Defense Minister Richardson. If you agree, the memorandum for your signature to the President at Tab A would review the issue and recommend that the proposed message be sent at the Defense-to-Defense level.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That you sign the memorandum for the President at Tab I.
2. Following the President's approval, that you advise Ellsworth of the President's wish that the message be sent at the Defense-to-Defense level.

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OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

20 May 1976

MEMO FOR General Scowcroft

Subject:

Here is a revised draft message which has been worked out with Enders.

We feel strongly that to let this thing lose impetus carries a high probability of at least a year's delay, and some probability that it could deteriorate into a half-baked, second-rate substitute program.

This high level expression of interest is much needed.

Robert Ellsworth

Attachment



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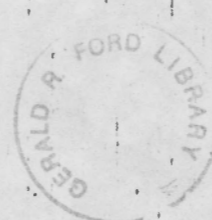
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PROPOSED PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE  
(to Prime Minister Trudeau)

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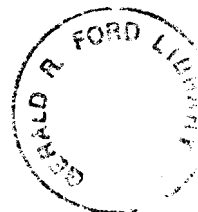
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RECOMMENDATION:

That you sign the letter at Tab A to Prime Minister Trudeau.

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RECOMMENDATION:

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Sincerely,

His Excellency  
Pierre-Elliott Trudeau  
Prime Minister of Canada  
Ottawa





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## MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: Brent Scowcroft

SUBJECT: Message to Canada on Long-Range  
Patrol Aircraft

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RECOMMENDATION:

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re Long-Range Patrol Lockheed  
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June 21, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR BRENT SCOWCROFT ✓

FROM: Mr. Cliff 


SUBJECT: Correspondence from Prime Minister Trudeau  
Concerning Canada's Purchase of Long Range  
Patrol Aircraft

Subsequent to the President's June 16 meeting with Prime Minister Trudeau, a letter from the Prime Minister has arrived concerning Canada's purchase of long range patrol aircraft. The correspondence is in response to the President's earlier letter on this subject and indicates that the Canadian government will review the matter in late June, noting that Canadian authorities and Lockheed have been successful in reducing the amount of initial financing required for the purchase.

The memorandum for your signature to the President at Tab I would forward the text and brief summary of the Prime Minister's letter. As the Prime Minister is replying to the President's earlier letter, and as the two leaders touched on this matter in their June 16 meeting, no reply would seem necessary.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the memorandum for the President at Tab I.

*President has seen.* 

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## THE WHITE HOUSE OFFICE

## REFERRAL

To: The Honorable Robert Ellsworth  
Deputy Secretary of Defense

Date: June 21, 1976

## ACTION REQUESTED

- Draft reply for:  
 President's signature.  
 Undersigned's signature.  
  
 Memorandum for use as enclosure to  
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 appropriate handling.  
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Basic correspondence should be returned when  
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## REMARKS:

## Description:

Letter:  Telegram:  Other:

To: President  
 From: Pierre Trudeau  
 Date: June 16, 1976  
 Subject: Long range portal Lockheed aircraft

By direction of the President:

*Charlette D. Agnew*  
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PRIME MINISTER · PREMIER MINISTRE

Ottawa K1A 0A2

Dear Mr. President:

Thank you for your letter of May 28 dealing with the Canadian Government's proposed purchase of long range patrol aircraft.

It has been a matter of considerable disappointment to my Cabinet colleagues and me that, despite the considerable efforts by the parties concerned, it has not been possible so far for us to conclude arrangements for the purchase of these aircraft from the Lockheed Corporation as envisaged. However, you will perhaps be aware that a revised proposal has recently been submitted to us by the Lockheed Corporation and it is currently under evaluation here. When I discussed this fact with Ambassador Enders recently I assured him that my colleagues and I would not attempt to pass judgment on this new proposal until later in the month so as to provide adequate time for all of its elements to be developed fully.

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The President of the United States of America  
The White House  
Washington, D.C.

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In the meantime I would like to assure you my Government attaches the highest priority to maintaining the effectiveness of Canada's contribution to NATO's collective defence arrangements, including our commitments to the defence of the North Atlantic. If it should eventually prove impossible for us to go ahead with the purchase of aircraft from the Lockheed Corporation, it is our intention to proceed as quickly as possible by some alternative process to obtain the modern equipment required to maintain our long range maritime patrol capability.

In conclusion I would like to express my sincere appreciation for the assistance we have received from your authorities in recent months in connection with our LRPA programme and I am grateful for your assurance of continued co-operation as we pursue this matter in the future.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "B. Leman". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large, stylized initial "B" that loops back. The name "Leman" is written in a similar cursive style.

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

May 28, 1976

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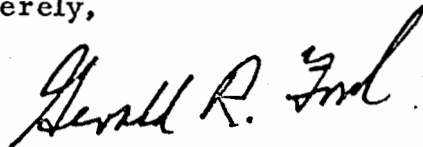
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Sincerely,



His Excellency  
Pierre-Elliott Trudeau





MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

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INFORMATION  
June 21, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: Brent Scowcroft

SUBJECT: Correspondence from Prime Minister Trudeau  
Concerning Canada's Purchase of Long Range Patrol  
Aircraft

Subsequent to your June 16 meeting with Prime Minister Trudeau, a letter (Tab A) from the Prime Minister has arrived which:

-- thanks you for your letter of May 28 (copy at Tab B) concerning the Canadian government's proposed purchase of long range patrol aircraft from the United States;

-- expresses regret that the Canadian government, out of financial necessity, had to postpone action on the purchase of long range patrol aircraft from Lockheed;

-- indicates that the Canadian government will review the matter in late June, noting that Canadian authorities and Lockheed have been successful in reducing the amount of initial financing required for the purchase of the aircraft;

-- assures you that Ottawa attaches the highest priority to maintaining the effectiveness of Canada's contribution to NATO's collective defense arrangements; and

-- expresses sincere appreciation for the assistance of the US government in connection with the aircraft purchase program and your own assurances of continued cooperation.

Inasmuch as you touched on this matter with Prime Minister Trudeau during his recent visit to Washington, and as the Prime Minister is replying to your earlier letter, no reply is necessary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington, D.C. 20520

July 22, 1976

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~MEMORANDUM FOR MR. BRENT SCOWCROFT  
THE WHITE HOUSESubject: Proposed Letter from President Ford  
to Prime Minister Trudeau

With the decision of the Canadian Government to go ahead with the long-delayed purchase of the Long-Range Patrol Aircraft from Lockheed, the Department believes it would be appropriate for the President to write a short note to Prime Minister Trudeau expressing his personal satisfaction. This issue had been the subject of an earlier exchange of letters between the two and had also been discussed during their bilateral meeting at the White House on June 16. Attached is a suggested draft text of the President's letter.

We would not intend to make this letter public nor expect the Canadians to do so. However, we believe a personal expression of appreciation by the President for this very significant Canadian decision would also serve a secondary purpose, i.e., to signal to Canadian leaders that, despite recent differences over Canada's China stance in the Olympics, we are desirous of maintaining the good bilateral relationship as well as the excellent personal relationship between the President and Prime Minister Trudeau.

*Frank V. Ortiz*  
for C. Arthur Borg  
Executive Secretary

Attachment:

As stated.

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DRAFT LETTER TO PRIME MINISTER TRUDEAU

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Sincerely,

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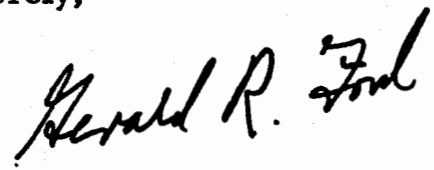
THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

August 4, 1976

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Sincerely,



The Right Honorable Pierre Elliott Trudeau  
Prime Minister of Canada  
Ottawa



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Executive Secretary  
Department of State

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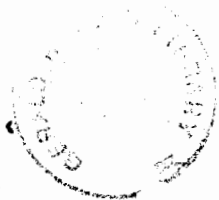
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Staff Secretary





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August 2, 1976

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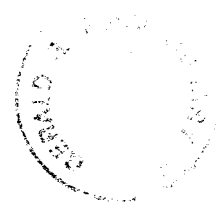
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RECOMMENDATION

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BY                     , NARA, DATE 3/3/04



Text of Telegram

July 23, 1976

To Minister of Defense Richardson:

I was pleased to hear of the Canadian Government's decision to replace its argus maritime patrol aircraft. This is a heartening development and one which I know our NATO allies will applaud as enthusiastically as we. You know how important the capability to reinforce Europe and to defend the sea lanes to and from North America is to Alliance and North American security. Your Government's decision to acquire new maritime patrol aircraft will help ensure that, together we can accomplish these vital and exacting tasks.

I congratulate you on this important achievement. I know that you and your staff worked long and hard to help bring it about. I am confident it will prove a wise decision for Canada and her partners in collective security.

With best wishes.

Sincerely,

Donald Rumsfeld  
Secretary of Defense





PRIME MINISTER · PREMIER MINISTRE

Ottawa K1A 0A2

Dear Mr. President:

Thank you for your letter of May 28 dealing with the Canadian Government's proposed purchase of long range patrol aircraft.

It has been a matter of considerable disappointment to my Cabinet colleagues and me that, despite the considerable efforts by the parties concerned, it has not been possible so far for us to conclude arrangements for the purchase of these aircraft from the Lockheed Corporation as envisaged. However, you will perhaps be aware that a revised proposal has recently been submitted to us by the Lockheed Corporation and it is currently under evaluation here. When I discussed this fact with Ambassador Enders recently I assured him that my colleagues and I would not attempt to pass judgment on this new proposal until later in the month so as to provide adequate time for all of its elements to be developed fully.

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The President of the United States of America  
The White House  
Washington, D.C.

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In the meantime I would like to assure you my Government attaches the highest priority to maintaining the effectiveness of Canada's contribution to NATO's collective defence arrangements, including our commitments to the defence of the North Atlantic. If it should eventually prove impossible for us to go ahead with the purchase of aircraft from the Lockheed Corporation, it is our intention to proceed as quickly as possible by some alternative process to obtain the modern equipment required to maintain our long range maritime patrol capability.

In conclusion I would like to express my sincere appreciation for the assistance we have received from your authorities in recent months in connection with our LRPA programme and I am grateful for your assurance of continued co-operation as we pursue this matter in the future.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "B. L. Man". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "B" and "L" that are connected. The name "B. L. Man" is written in a smaller, more legible script below the initials.

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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

May 28, 1976

Dear Mr. Prime Minister:

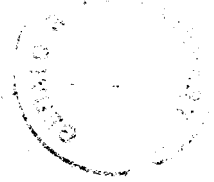
Ambassador Enders has informed me of the continuing financing difficulties that have complicated your Government's purchase of the Long-Range Patrol Aircraft. I hope that satisfactory arrangements can be worked out which will allow the program to go forward.

I am confident of your own continuing concern that we maintain adequate non-nuclear defensive and deterrent capabilities in the context of NATO's collective defense and in the defense of this continent. You are aware of the reliance that my Government places on Canada and the importance that all the Allies attach to the Long-Range Patrol Aircraft program as a means of enhancing NATO deterrent capabilities.

Given the importance we both attach to successful execution of the program in support of the common defense, early resolution of the LRPA procurement issue is eminently desirable. I recognize that any solution must conform to the fiscal framework you have established. I am asking the Defense Department to assist potential U.S. suppliers in restructuring their proposals to conform to the fiscal profile your people will set. At the same time, I hope you can authorize your associates to permit adequate budgetary allocations in the first years.

I would appreciate having your thoughts.

Sincerely,



His Excellency  
Pierre-Elliott Trudeau  
Prime Minister of Canada  
Ottawa

MEMORANDUM

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

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July 22, 1976

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MEMORANDUM FOR BRENT SCOWCROFT

FROM:

Mr. Clift

SUBJECT:

Letter to Trudeau Concerning  
Long Range Patrol Aircraft Sale

Canada has taken the decision to proceed with the purchase of Lockheed's long range patrol aircraft. Canadian Supply Minister Goyer yesterday signed a \$697 million contract with Lockheed for the purchase of 18 CP-140 aircraft -- in a deal which has a total program cost of \$1031.7 million. When the Canadian Cabinet rejected regular government budget and Canadian bank consortium financing for the sale on May 18, the President sent a letter to Trudeau (Tab C) stressing the importance of LRPC procurement to our common defense. The Prime Minister's response is attached at Tab D.

Canadian Defense Minister Richardson at a press briefing yesterday announcing his government's decision said that the aircraft -- to be named AURORA -- is essential to meet Canada's NATO commitments and noted its civilian capabilities (statement at Tab II). Secretary Rumsfeld has sent a telegram to Richardson acknowledging the decision (Tab B).

The memorandum to the President for your signature at Tab I would forward a letter for his signature to Trudeau expressing his pleasure with the Canadian decision.

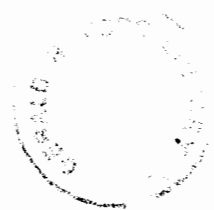
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RECOMMENDATION

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BY 114, NARA, DATE 3/3/04



STATEMENT BY  
THE HONOURABLE JAMES RICHARDSON  
MINISTER OF NATIONAL DEFENCE  
ON THE  
LONG RANGE PATROL AIRCRAFT PROGRAM

Gentlemen:

I have requested this media briefing in order to announce the Government's decision on the purchase of long-range patrol aircraft.

Because of the support for the Armed Forces and for NATO provided by Members of both sides of the House, and because the House is not sitting at the present time, I have, prior to this briefing, sent copies of all material being distributed today to the leaders of the opposition parties and to their defence critics.

With me this morning are a number of senior officers and officials from my department, and other government departments, who will be most willing to join with me in answering any questions you may have. First of all, however, I would like to tell you the main features of this major purchase aimed at increasing the anti-submarine capability of the Canadian Armed Forces and to improve and expand the surveillance of the high Arctic and the sea approaches to Canada.

Early this morning, my Colleague, the Minister of Supply and Services signed the contract with Lockheed for a fleet of 18 CP-140 long-range patrol aircraft.

This contract, which is for \$697 million, calls for the provision of the aircraft, and also for the associated systems; the data interpretation and analysis centres, training costs, training devices and publications, as well as associated services.

Other DND-related costs, federal sales tax and non committed funds, account for a further \$334.7 million, bringing the total program cost to \$1031.7 million. This total figure is \$29 million lower than the \$1061 million figure in the National Defence estimates. It will be recalled that the total program cost of the previous Lockheed proposal was \$953 million, to which \$108 million was added for financing costs, making a total of \$1061 million.

Under the contract signed today, all deliveries are to be completed by March 1981.

The Government has determined, beyond doubt, that a new fleet of long-range patrol aircraft is essential, if Canada is to meet its commitments to collective security in NATO and achieve its national objectives in sovereignty matters.

Our membership in the North Atlantic Treaty Organization entails an obligation to patrol and defend large areas of the North Atlantic. Similarly, off the West Coast, we have undertaken, with our American allies, a commitment to protect the Pacific approaches to the North American area of NATO. To carry out these missions in a manner credible to ourselves and to our Allies, we must have modern, effective equipment.

Although the new long-range patrol aircraft is designed primarily for military tasks related to the defence of North America and the North Atlantic, it will be developed and equipped to undertake civilian as well as military tasks, in order to protect Canada's growing sovereignty interests, particularly in coastal waters and in the Arctic. We have made provisions for inclusion of special sensor systems which will enable us to provide other departments with capabilities they do not now have.

Because our new Canadian aircraft will have so many unique and advanced characteristics -- because it will be in a class by itself -- we have given it a name to distinguish it from other long-range patrol aircraft. We have named it AURORA. We have named it AURORA after the northern lights -- a distinctive feature of the Canadian north -- the Aurora Borealis.

In mythology, AURORA is the goddess of the dawn and is said to set out before the sun. For this reason also, AURORA is an appropriate name for an aircraft that patrols before the dawn, as well as in the daylight hours.

I like to think that AURORA will reflect not only the dawn of a new era in our long-range patrol capability, but also the dawn of a series of major capital acquisitions that will modernize the equipment of the Canadian Armed Forces.

Extensive studies have established that the AURORA is the most cost-effective purchase we could have made within our budgetary resources. It is essentially the same aircraft as the one previously proposed by Lockheed, and it is capable of performing the same military missions.

By combining the best of two proven basic systems -- the engines and airframe of the P3 with the acoustics and avionics components of the carrier-borne S3A Viking aircraft -- we have succeeded in designing a new system that has the combined advantages of long-range capability and excellent ability to accomplish missions over both deep and shallow waters. Because of the growth potential of its equipment, the AURORA will remain a superior system into the next century. It is also worth noting



that the Lockheed aircraft uses considerably less fuel than would be required by a pure-jet aircraft. This characteristic is important in energy conservation, as well as in reducing operating costs.

It should be clearly understood that Canada, in demanding a specific type of aircraft to meet its particular needs and commitments, is also gaining industrially as a result of those needs. The costs of a large purchase such as this are often emphasized without giving due consideration to the very substantial industrial benefits and high technology job opportunities that these expenditures bring to many aerospace workers and to many parts of Canada.

The Lockheed purchase provides outstanding and long-term industrial benefits to Canada. The Lockheed Corporation has undertaken firm contractual commitments to place some \$414.6 million worth of program-related and offset work with Canadian manufacturers and suppliers. The company is also committed to transferring to Canadian plants the production of future P3 aircraft components amounting to approximately \$168 million.

There will also be opportunities, on a "best efforts" basis, for Canadian companies to participate in new manufacturing projects throughout the years 1981-1995. This "best efforts" work could bring some \$350 million in additional industrial benefits.

In all, the contractual and projected industrial benefits will amount to as much as \$932.6 million, which is considerably more than the \$697 million Lockheed contract and some \$2.6 million more than was provided for in the earlier Lockheed proposal.

The cost of each completely-outfitted aircraft is \$21.23 million, for a total in program dollars of \$382.2 million for all 18 aircraft.

It will be apparent that the largest part of the total expenditure is not for the airplane. It is for such items as the complex ground data-processing centre at Greenwood, a smaller data-processing centre at Comox, complete flight simulators, other ground installations; training and test equipment, special tools, spares, manuals, project office expense, contingencies, and federal sales tax -- all of which would be required regardless of which aircraft was selected. The cost of all these amount to \$526.9 million.

The one unique cost of the long-range patrol aircraft program is the one-time engineering expense of \$122.6 million to combine the basic aircraft with its array of surveillance and navigation equipment.

It should be noted that the \$16 million that would have had to be paid to Lockheed for start-up and development costs will not be lost, but will now be applied to the AURORA program.



I should at this time also mention the steps we have taken to ensure that the proposed arrangements with Lockheed represent a minimum of financial risk to the Government of Canada.

The Government is completely satisfied that no improper payments have been made by Lockheed to any Canadian Government officials in connection with this transaction. We have received written assurances from Lockheed and the U.S. Government to confirm this belief. The text of a formal aide mémoire from the U.S. State Department, dated 16 April 1976, is included as an Annex to the briefing material that has been distributed.

Our own assessment of Lockheed's financial viability has been confirmed in a Diplomatic Note from the U.S. State Department, dated 29 April 1976, which states, in part, and I quote:

"All things considered, it is the present judgment of the United States Government that the prospects are favorable for Lockheed to continue as a viable corporation."

The text of this note is also included in the briefing material that has been provided.

I would also like to draw your attention to Annexes K, L and M in your information kits. They are letters from Lockheed to us, and from the Bankers Trust Company and the Emergency Loan Guarantee Board, to Lockheed. All three letters are significant in that they constitute confirmation of Lockheed's ability to provide the substantially reduced financing which will not exceed \$50 million at any time.

In conclusion, I believe that upon reflection, Canadians will agree that with the purchase of our AURORA fleet, the Government has taken a major step towards meeting Canada's commitment to the NATO Alliance. Also, there is no doubt that this major purchase moves us forward in meeting our commitment to re-equip the Canadian Armed Forces. In addition to our NATO and Armed Forces commitments, the Government has, by this decision, greatly strengthened the aerospace industry in Canada for many years to come.

I believe that in future years all Canadians, and particularly members of the Canadian Armed Forces, will be proud and reassured to know that the AURORA, the best long-range patrol aircraft in the world, will be guarding the sea approaches to Canada and patrolling our northern skies.

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This statement was made at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, July 21 at a press conference in Ottawa.



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I was very pleased to learn of the decision taken by the Canadian government in support of the NATO commitments. This decision will be a great contribution to the security of Europe and the Atlantic. I believe that this decision reaffirms the importance of the Atlantic Alliance to our mutual goals of world stability and peace.

Sincerely,  
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His  
The Right Honorable Pierre Elliott Trudeau  
Prime Minister of Canada  
Ottawa



THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

Dear Mr. Prime Minister:

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