

S E C R E T

Ottawa, September 7, 1957.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE MINISTERRoyal Visit -
Television Programme on Sunday evening

As you may recall (our memorandum of August 30), you were to discuss with the Governor-General the question of the Queen's speech on the Sunday evening.

We have prepared in the Department the attached text. You will see that paragraphs 1, 2, 3 and 7 are repeated in French. If this were done, and given the speed at which the Queen speaks, this material would provide a television address of approximately ten minutes.

If you consider that the text is suitable I could pass it on to Lionel Massey for onward transmission to the Queen.

J.M.

Ottawa, September 9, 1957.

This good
 I am happy to be in Canada again. In ¹⁹⁵¹ Prince Philip and I ^{met here in 1951, we} had the opportunity of seeing much of this country and meeting many of you. ^{Since we cannot agree on this visit} On the present visit my stay will be short, so I welcome the more the opportunity of speaking to you in your homes, as I have been able to do before on Christmas morning.

2. Near where I am sitting in Rideau Hall the ageless Ottawa River speaks, as it winds past the Capital, of the early march of Canadian history; and ^{embraces} on its shores the two great cultures, the combination of which ^{together} forms one of the greatest assets of this country. ^{which unite to make an interesting & colorful part of the interesting present.}

3. Je suis heureuse de me trouver de nouveau au Canada. En 1951 le prince Philippe et moi-même avons eu l'occasion de voir une bonne partie de ce pays et de rencontrer un grand nombre d'entre vous. Cette fois mon séjour sera de courte durée et c'est pourquoi j'apprécie tellement l'occasion qui m'est offerte de vous parler dans l'intimité de vos foyers, comme j'ai pu le faire déjà le matin de Noël.

4. Non loin d'où je suis en ce moment à Rideau-Hall, la rivière des Outaouais, en serpentant le long de la capitale, nous rappelle les premières heures de l'histoire du Canada; ses rives sont marquées par les deux grandes cultures, dont le mélange forme l'une des plus grandes richesses de ce pays.

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5. ~~Canada has been much~~ blessed by Providence with

wide acres, great forests, plentiful fisheries, and riches

invaluable mineral wealth below the soil. But *it is* without the energies and skills of

the men and women of the country, *but using these rich resources into use.* these would form no

more than a promise. This is a busy and a prosperous

land with great cities and many industries, but it is one,

Canada too, that has not neglected the spiritual and intellectual

values. This morning I worshipped in Christ Church

Cathedral; and this afternoon I saw the pattern and *the*

colour of the Gatineau Hills in autumn. Religion and

beauty are woven into life in Canada.

6. La Providence a pourvu le Canada généreusement de vastes espaces, de grandes forêts, d'abondantes pêcheries et d'un riche sous-sol. Mais sans l'énergie et les talents des habitants du pays, ces dons ne seraient qu'espoir. Terre active et prospère, où s'élèvent de grandes villes et de nombreuses industries, le Canada n'en oublie pas pour autant les valeurs spirituelles et intellectuelles. Ce matin j'ai prié dans la cathédrale Christ-Church; cet après-midi j'ai vu les collines de la Gatineau dans leur splendide parure automnale. Religion et beauté s'entrelacent dans l'existence des Canadiens.

7. Tomorrow I shall take my part, as did my father, in the proceedings of Parliament, the orderly and democratic means by which Canadians seek to find just and effective solutions to the problems of the national and international communities.

8. In many continents, in many capitals, Commonwealth parliaments perform their tasks of striving toward the goals of freedom, of peace, and of human well-being.

