

Premier of Quebec, on the Labrador boundary, modifies in any particular the letter and enclosure of October 29, 1947, of the Right Honourable the Prime Minister of Canada, particularly in clause 2 of the enclosure, which reads as follows: "The Province of Newfoundland will include the territory of Labrador defined by the award of the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council in 1927 as Newfoundland territory."

Answer: It is not clear from the question what statement of the Honourable Mr. Duplessis is referred to, but in any case the letter of October 29, 1947, from the Prime Minister of Canada to His Excellency the Governor of Newfoundland, with its enclosure, is not modified thereby in any particular either with regard to clause 2 of the enclosure or any other clauses.

Another question I submitted was this:

To ask His Excellency the Governor in Commission to ask the Government of Canada to state whether, in the event of union and the consequent operation of the Newfoundland railway and steamship system by Canada, it would be the policy of the Government of Canada to continue in their employment all the employees of the system at the time of union, with the rights and privileges with respect to continuity of employment that are accorded to employees of the Canadian National Railways.

And to that question the Government of Canada has sent the following reply:

As provided in clause 17(1) of the "Proposed Arrangements", if the Canadian National Railways were to assume responsibility for the operation of the Newfoundland Railway and its steamship services, employees of the Newfoundland

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Department	Additions to "Ordinary" Expenditures as a result of union with Newfoundland in a typical year (\$000)
Agriculture	200
Auditor General	5
Civil Service Commission	10
Finance	225
Fisheries	600
Lieutenant Governor	9
Insurance	5
Justice	150
Labour	657
Legislation	83
Mines and Resources	624 ¹
National Defence	235
National Health and Welfare	473
National Film Board	30
National Revenue	325
Post Office	1,164
Printing and Stationery	5
Public Works	850
RCMP	500
Secretary of State	15
Trade and Commerce	137
Transport	1,393
Veterans' Affairs	1,700
Total	9,395

1. Since the above estimates were prepared, the estimate for the Department of Mines and Resources has been revised upward to \$708,000, making the total estimated additions to "ordinary expenditures" \$9,479,000.