MILITARY OVERFLIGHTS

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Department of State files

The Secretary of State to the Canadian Minister

JUNE 18, 1941

Sir:

I have the honor to refer to the Legation's note no. 272 of September 19, 1940,¹ informing the Department of State that the appropriate Canadian authorities would have no objection to United States Army, Navy and Coast Guard aircraft, en route from continental United States to Alaska and return, flying over Canadian territory in British Columbia and the Yukon, and over Canadian waters in the Pacific, during the period ending June 30, 1941, provided the following conditions are observed:

- (a) That the Air Officer Commanding, Western Air Command, Belmont Building, Victoria, B.C., be notified twenty-four hours in advance of the details of each proposed flight and be informed in the event of a forced landing in Canadian territory or Canadian territorial waters.
- (b) That aircraft do not fly over any prohibited area included in Schedule "A" of the Defence Air Regulations 1940 as set forth in Order in Council P.C. 1890 of May 9, 1940.

I should be pleased if you would ascertain from your Government whether it would be disposed to renew this blanket permission for the period ending June 30, 1942.

Accept, Sir, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

For the Secretary of State:

A. A. BERLE, Jr.

The Honorable Leighton McCarthy, K.C., Minister of Canada.

¹ Ante, p. 194.