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HARKNESS ANSWERS QUERIES

Preparations For Defence Are Reviewed By Ottawa

OTTAWA (CP)—Defence Minister Harkness said Tuesday that "naturally we have been reviewing plans to meet all possible contingencies."

He was replying in the Commons to Liberal Paul Hellyer, Toronto Trinity, who asked whether the Cuban situation has resulted in an alert for RCAF jet interceptors assigned to North American Air Defence Command or special orders for naval units in the North Atlantic.

"By and large the answer to that question is no," the minister said. However, there was a review of plans to meet all possible contingencies.

There were high-level meetings throughout the day in the defence and external affairs departments.

Informants said U.S. Air Force Gen. John Gerhart, chief of NORAD, has made recommendations to the Canadian government on how air defence could be strengthened.

HAS THREE FACTORS

Nature of these recommendations was not disclosed but there was speculation they involved at least three factors:

1. An increased alert for the five RCAF Voodoo jet interceptor squadrons.

2. Dispersal of some U. S. interceptors to Canadian bases.

3. Arming of American interceptors stationed in Canada—at Goose Bay, Labrador, and Harmon Field, Nfld.—with air-to-air nuclear rockets.

Asked to comment on such speculation, Mr. Harkness said in an interview: "This is no time for speculation."

He declined to say what recommendations have been made by Gen. Gerhart, who is responsible to both the Canadian and U.S. governments.

He indicated any decision would hinge on the outcome of the U.S. blockade of Cuba.

NORAD, including RCAF air defence command, went on an increased alert status earlier this year. This meant that roughly one-third of the RCAF's 64 Voodoos can become airborne in 15 minutes at any given time.

SAY ALERT HIGHER

Reliable sources said this alert status was increased Tuesday through normal precautions and not because of any specific order from the defence department.

NORAD has authority to order an alert of all units under its command without reference to the Canadian and U.S. governments in event of imminent Soviet attack on this continent.

The 1957 NORAD agreement provides that Canada and the U.S. can each act independently to protect what it considers its own interests.

It is doubtful that, knowing the Canadian defence and political situation, Gen. Gerhart would recommend that Canada accept defensive nuclear weapons immediately—although he has the authority to make such a recommendation.

It is understood that the cabinet discussed the NORAD recommendations Tuesday. It was not known whether nuclear policy was discussed.

Indian Monastery Town Threatened By Chinese

NEW DELHI (AP)—Attacking Communist Chinese troops drove on the important Indian Monastery town of Towang Tuesday.

Towang, a centre of Buddhism, is at the end of an Indian road into the steep, jungled Himalayas along the route the Dalai Lama took in fleeing to India from the Red Chinese when they occupied Tibet in 1959.

An Indian spokesman said the Chinese launched a new attack aimed at Towang across Bum Pass, an important trade route from eastern Tibet, in a major offensive near the western end of India's northeast frontier province.

Indian forces, outnumbered and outgunned, were forced to fall back there but were reported holding their own on other sectors of the flaming frontier.

Towang is about 17 miles inside the 48-year-old Himalayan boundary that Peking has repudiated.

Three Points Are Outlined By Peking For Settlement

PEKING (Reuters) — Three points for the settlement of the Sino-Indian border dispute were given Tuesday in a statement issued by Communist China.

The New China news agency gave the following points of the government statement.

1. Both parties should affirm that the boundary question must be settled peacefully through negotiations. Pending this China hoped India would agree that both respect the line of actual control between the two sides along the entire border, and that the armed forces of both sides withdraw 12 miles from this line and disengage.

2. If India agrees to the above, China is willing to withdraw its frontier guards in the eastern sector north of the line of actual control; and China and India agree not to cross that line—that is, the traditional customary line—in the middle and western sectors.

3. Matters relating to the disengagement of the armed forces and the cessation of armed conflict would be negotiated by officials designated by the Chinese and Indian governments.

MP Critical Of U.S. Plan For Blockade

OTTAWA (CP)—The Cuban crisis was injected into a Commons budget debate Tuesday night when Terry Nugent (PC—Edmonton - Strathcona) sharply criticized the United States for imposing a blockade on arms shipments to the Caribbean island.

Mr. Nugent was interrupted by Deputy Speaker Gordon Chown who questioned whether the speech was in order, but not before the Edmonton member had finished nearly all he intended to say.

Mr. Nugent, a 41-year-old lawyer, said the sinking of a ship as a result of the American blockade of Cuba would be an act of war—"an unprovoked aggression."

The "national conscience" would not permit Canada to be associated with such an action.

TCA Ordered To Avoid Cuba

MONTREAL (CP)—A spokesman for Trans-Canada Air Lines said Tuesday all its planes on Caribbean flights have been ordered to fly round Cuba instead of over it, as has been normal practice.

The TCA order went out Monday night immediately after President Kennedy's announcement of a quarantine of Cuba.

Savings Bonds Selling Fast

OTTAWA (CP)—Sales of the new issue of Canada Savings Bonds during the first nine days of being on the market totalled $151,000,000, 12 per cent ahead of figures during the comparable period for last year's issue, Finance Minister Nowlan said Tuesday in a statement.

Britain Backs U.S. On Cuba As Red Forces Go On Alert

CP from AP-Reuters

LONDON — The British government Tuesday stoutly supported the United States arms quarantine of Cuba and accused the Russians of "deception" in bringing about the crisis by "placing offensive nuclear weapons in Cuba."

President Kennedy's stand sent shivers of anxiety and fear —and brought some criticism— in the non-Communist world.

The Soviet Union placed the military forces of the Communist Warsaw Pact countries on alert and called off all leaves of Russian armed forces.

Soviet bloc countries followed Russia's lead in condemning the American action. Communist China, however, maintained an initial silence.

Yugoslav President Josip Tito said the Cuban crisis "evokes serious anxiety" and called for a solution "by peaceful means and not by relying on force."

REPORT CONVOY

Reports circulated in London that a large Soviet - escorted convoy was on the way to Cuba.

There was widespread expectation of a Soviet counter-move— and many eyes turned on Berlin where American leaders have repeatedly predicted in recent weeks the Russians would create new crises this winter.

West Berliners, expressed satisfaction with the United States move, but began hoarding food supplies in fear they may be the target for a counter-blockade.

West Berlin—110 miles inside East Germany—remained calm.

Kennedy's pronouncement set off military alerts, rounds of diplomatic activity and jitters in stock markets.

STOCKS DROP

Prices fell sharply on the stock exchanges of London and other financial centres but showed a rise on commodity markets. The Paris stock market, however, remained steady. Brokers said this was a typical "war nerves" pattern of trading.

Prime Minister Macmillan met with his cabinet for nearly three hours before issuing a strong British statement charging the Soviet Union with being guilty of deception as well as guilty of deliberately opening up a new area of instability" in shipments of offensive nuclear weapons to Cuba.

In Ottawa, Prime Minister Diefenbaker said the Canadian government believes there is "ample evidence" that Russia is establishing offensive bases in Cuba capable of threatening the entire Western Hemisphere.

Neutral Switzerland, which has represented United States interests in Cuba since the two countries broke diplomatic relations, was reported considering offering to serve as an arbitrator of international issues raised by the blockade.

In Paris, French President de Gaulle was said by high diplomatic sources to have told special U.S. representative Dean

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2,000 Stage Demonstration At London American Embassy

LONDON (AP) — Screaming "Viva Fidel, Kennedy to hell," more than 2,000 demonstrators smashed police lines and stormed the American Embassy here Tuesday.

Helmeted police battled them and managed to form a defence line at the top of the steps to the main entrance, keeping the mob out of the new building in Grosvenor Square.

It was the first outbreak of violence reported anywhere in protest against President Kennedy's calling an arms blockade of Cuba Monday night.

The demonstration was organized by the Committee of 100, which urges complete nuclear disarmament and is headed by Bertrand Russell.

Police and demonstrators struggled for 10 minutes. Many of the demonstrators, some of them young girls, were dragged screaming to the sidewalk by police.

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Blockade Order Signed; Effective This Morning

RUSSIAN OFFICIAL ARRIVES FOR SPEECH

The first secretary of the Russian Embassy in Ottawa, Vladimir Molchanov, is greeted on his arrival at the Charlottetown airport last night by Harry Love, left, branch secretary of the P.E.I. Branch of the United Nations Association of Canada. The Russian Embassy secretary will address a public meeting of the association in Montgomery Hall this evening. A brief ceremony will be held at the cenotaph in Charlottetown this morning marking United Nations Day.

AMERICANS SEE PROFOUND THREAT

Soviet Speaker Charges Cuban Blockade 'Piracy'

By JOSEPH MacSWEEN

UNITED NATIONS (CP)—Charging piracy, the Soviet Union Tuesday night asked the United Nations Security Council to insist that the United States "invalidate" its naval blockade of Cuba.

Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister Valerian Zorin formally submitted a resolution urging the 11-member body to condemn actions of the U.S. "aimed at violating the United Nations charter and at increasing the threat of war."

Zorin introduced his draft at the end of a lengthy statement in which he heaped criticism on a U.S. resolution calling for the "dismantling and withdrawal from Cuba of all missiles and other offensive weapons."

U.S. Ambassador Adlai Stevenson, who requested the meeting and opened debate, charged Russia with a long list of betrayed agreements which had shadowed the world since the Second World War.

The Soviet build-up of missiles in Cuba was the most "profound" threat to world peace since the war and Stevenson said he feared Soviet Premier Khrushchev in his assessment of the U.S. may have "mistaken forbearance for weakness."

Cuban Ambassador Mario Garcia - Inchaustegui said the only foreign base in Cuba is the U.S. Guantanamo base and he added that apparently wishing to decides for itself which are good bases and which bad, which are good rockets and which bad.

EXPECT VETO

A Soviet veto on a U.S. resolution was considered certain but an American spokesman predicted the U.S. would get at least seven votes, enabling the U.S. to demand a meeting of the 109 - member General Assembly on the Cuban issue.

Contrary to some predictions, proceedings opened smoothly and there was no procedural wrangle such as has occured in many debates of lesser tension.

Throngs of diplomats stood in the council chamber throughout Stevenson's speech of one hour and five minutes, and the packed public gallery — again contrary to some expectations— was quiet under the watchful eyes of extra guards.

Stevenson, speaking in solemn tones, declared:

"Since the end of the Second World War, there has been no threat to the vision of peace so profound—no challenge to the world of the (UN) charter so fateful. The hopes of mankind are concentrated in this room. The action we take may determine the future of civilization."

READ RESOLUTION

Stevenson formally presented a resolution asking the council to call for the immediate dismantling and withdrawal from Cuba of all missiles and other offensive measures and dispatch of a UN observer group to Cuba to check on compliance. He read to the council a similar resolution passed Tuesday by the council of the Organization of American States.

Some of his speech was a recapitulation of Kennedy's charges that the Soviet Union by stealth and secrecy was introducing into Cuba missiles capable of carrying nuclear warheads as far north as St. John's, Nfld., and Hudson Bay, and as far south as Lima, Peru.

Stevenson, anticipating argu-

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Shock Waves Hit Stock Exchanges

BY THE CANADIAN PRESS

The Cuban crisis sent shock waves through the world's main stock exchanges Tuesday.

President Kennedy's ordering of a military blockade of Cuba touched off waves of frantic selling, which built up to a last - hour burst in Toronto, Montreal, and New York.

On Wall Street, where the full impact of selling pressure wasn't felt until the final hour, the ticker tape ran 30 minutes late at the close. Dow-Jones industrial averages took a 10¼-point beating.

The Toronto market was hardest hit in the first and final hours. By noon industrials appeared to be firming, but a selling deluge near the close pushed prices to their day's lows.

When the result was tallied, the Toronto industrial index—a compilation of 20 representative stocks had dropped 9.41 to 516.52. Low point in 1962 for industrials was the 503 level touched in June.

There was no consistent pattern. In some places prices skidded in sympathy with the plunge of the New York Stock Exchange. In others prices held firm or recovered to close above their lows for the day.

UNITED FUND GAINS GROUND

Prince Edward Island's United Fund has reached $70,844.56 or 31.1 per cent of its objective of $227,487, Brig. W. W. Reid announced last night. Charlottetown's total stands at $55,579.66 or 47 per cent of objective; Summerside at $12,619.30 or 33.4 per cent; Queens County $147 or .6 per cent and Kings County $3,098.60 or 13.6 per cent.

25 Russian Ships Seen Bound For Cuban Ports

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Kennedy Tuesday night proclaimed a blockade of Cuba effective at 11 a.m. ADT today and ordered the defence department to take appropriate means to enforce it, including the use of force if need be.

Kennedy signed the historic document in his office. It is called "interdiction of the delivery of offensive weapons to Cuba."

It lists these weapons as surface - to - surface missiles, bombing planes, bombs, air-to-surface rockets and missiles, warheads or mechanical electronic equipment for weapons specified, and any other weapons that might be listed later by the defence department.

Kennedy empowered Defence Secretary McNamara to use the army, navy and air force in any way necessary, as well as any forces that might be supplied by other countries of the Americas. But he said that force shall be used only to the extent necessary and only in the event of refusal of ships carrying goods to Cuba to comply with orders.

The defence department will set up prohibited or restricted zones and prescribe routes for vessels approaching Cuba. Any such ship, the proclamation said, will be required to identify itself and its cargo and to stop if requested to do so.

TWO CHOICES

Any craft that refuses to comply may be taken into U.S. custody, or it may be directed to go to another destination.

The text of the proclamation was not made available immediately.

White House Press Secretary Pierre Salinger read key portions of it to reporters shortly after Kennedy attached his signature.

McNamara, at a press conference held soon after Kennedy issued the proclamation authorizing the quarantine, estimated that about 25 Russian ships are moving toward Cuba, some of them close to Cuban ports. Another 10 or 12 are in port, he said, and about 25 are moving away from Cuban ports.

McNamara said he had no knowledge of the specific cargoes of the ships now heading for Cuba, but that it would be a "fair presumption" that some

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Castro Shouts Defiance

KEY WEST, Fla. (AP)—Premier Fidel Castro said Tuesday night anyone who tries to carry out an arms inspection in Cuba "had better come ready for combat."

Cuba's arms are defensive, he said, promising that his nation "will not be an easy victim."

"We will know how to defend ourselves," he shouted. "We have taken the measures to resist and repulse any aggression from the United States. Listen to me well!"

He called President Kennedy a pirate, declaring that Kennedy's proclamation of a blockade of Cuba violates international law.

"No country is able to blockade ships without violating international principles," Castro said in a televised speech to his nation, monitored here.

"This is an act which very soon will have repercussions in all the nations. It is a violation against the sovereign rights of our country and of all the peoples."

The Cuban said the rights of other nations would be violated by halting their vessels for search on the high seas.

Khrushchev Attends Opera

MOSCOW (AP) — Premier Khrushchev, looking relaxed amid the Cuban crisis, Tuesday night went to hear and lead the applause for American opera star Jerome Hines.

The Soviet leader sat through the entire performance of Mussorgsky's Boris Gudonov in which the Metropolitan Opera basso sang the lead role.

Khrushchev led the audience in a hearty round of applause that brought Hines back for four curtain calls.

40 Smaller Countries Ask U Thant For Intervention

UNITED NATIONS (AP)—A group of approximately 40 smaller countries in the United Nations late Tuesday night agreed to ask Acting Secretary-General U Thant to intervene in the Cuban crisis in an effort to avoid a U.S.-Soviet collision.

The group decided to send a three-man committee to see U Thant. They were the delegates of Ghana and the United Arab Republic, and Ambassador Zenon Rossides of Cyprus who presided over the late-night conference.

Among the countries present were members of the so-called non-aligned Belgrade group and smaller nations in Africa, Europe, Asia and Latin America.

PM Reports In Commons Cuban Bases Pose Threat

By JACK BEST,

OTTAWA (CP)—Prime Minister Diefenbaker openly acknowledged Tuesday that Russian bases in Cuba pose a threat to Canadian security.

The acknowledgement was implicit in a statement Mr. Diefenbaker made to the Commons warning that Soviet installations in the Caribbean island threaten the Western Hemisphere as a whole.

It echoed President Kennedy's stark pronouncement of Monday night that Cuban-based Russian missiles are capable of delivering a nuclear strike as far north as Hudson Bay, and as far south as Lima, Peru.

Mr. Diefenbaker appeared to be at some pains, in Monday's statement, to emphasize that his earlier proposal for on-site inspection in Cuba did not mean he questioned President Kennedy's assessment of the arms buildup there.

The prime minister Monday night proposed that an inspection team composed of eight non-aligned countries be sent to Cuba to establish the facts about Soviet missile bases.

NO DOUBTS

In making the suggestion, Mr. Diefenbaker said Tuesday, "I was not," of course, casting any doubts on the facts of the situation as outlined by the president of the United States."

"The government has been informed and it believes that there is ample evidence that bases and equipment for the launching of offensive weapons have been constructed in Cuba and exist in sufficient quantities to threaten the security of this hemisphere.

"The purpose I have in mind in suggesting a United Nations on-site inspection was to be ready to put in motion steps which could be taken in the United Nations General Assembly in the event of a Soviet veto or if the Soviet Union denies the existence in Cuba of offensive ballistic missile bases."

The suggestion was not intended to compete with any proposal the U.S. placed before the Assembly, "but rather to supplement it by providing a way in which the United Nations can begin the heavy task of exercising its primary responsibility in respect of the maintenance of international peace and security."

External Affairs Minister Green, replying to a Commons question from Paul Martin (L—Essex East), said there has been no change with regard to Canada's diplomatic representation in Cuba.

Federal Loan Granted Souris Housing Plan

CAPITAL BUREAU OF THE GUARDIAN

OTTAWA — A government loan for the construction of four low-rental housing units in Souris was announced here Tuesday by Hon. Davie Fulton, minister of public works.

The loan is for $22,500 and is provided under the limited-dividend section of the National Housing Act. It will be paid to the Senior Citizens' Housing Corporation in Souris and be repayable over a period of 40 years with interest at the rate of 5¼ per cent per annum.

The company is sponsored by the province of P.E.I. which will provide the required equity in the form of a grant.

The project is to be built on land donated by the Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation at the junction of North and Chapel Streets in Souris. It will consist of four one-bedroom row-housing units. Monthly rents will be $57.50 with the minimum annual income at initial occupancy being $1,104. Continued occupancy will be restricted to tenants with incomes of not more than $2,670.

Section 16 of the NHA provides for loans by Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation to limited-dividend housing companies undertaking the construction of low-rental projects.

Contact Let For Project

The tender for the senior citizens housing project in Souris has been awarded to George Cheverie of South Lake, it was announced last night by Henry Wedge, minister of welfare.

The tender amount was $30,800.

Plans are being made to start work on the project next Monday, he said.

Quarantine Is Denounced By Moscow

CP from AP-Reuters

MOSCOW — Denouncing the United States arms "quarantine" against Cuba as a step toward world thermonuclear war, the Soviet Union Tuesday ordered its armed forces into a state of combat readiness.

Forces of the Warsaw Pact—Communist counterpart of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization—followed suit.

The orders for military preparedness came after the Soviet government issued "a serious warning" over the action ordered by Prime Minister Kennedy against Cuba Monday night.

The Soviet defence ministry halted discharges of servicemen of the senior age groups in the strategic rocket forces, anti-aircraft defence units and the submarine fleet. It ordered all military leaves cancelled.