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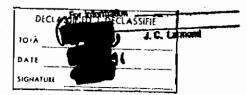
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Re: Meeting with Don McPhail, Ambassador to West Germany and President Designate of ACOA, July 16, 1987



On July 16, Bill Pettipas and I met with Don McPhail, the Canadian Ambassador to West Germany and President-designate of the new Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency (ACOA). ACOA became operational as of June 8, 1987. Sen. Lowell Murray is the Minister responsible for ACOA, a new board responsible for the coordination of all Federal regional economic development activities in Atlantic Canada. Most of DRIE's responsibilities for programs in Atlantic Canada have been transferred to ACOA.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the proposed Thyssen Henschel joint venture and the MAN-CM truck programs. Don McPhail, as Canadian Ambassador to West Germany, has had discussions directly with both MAN and Thyssen at various times on these topics. I wanted to find out the subject of the recent discussions in Ottawa between Perrin Beatty, Don Mazankowski and Sen. Murray concerning Thyssen. McPhail was briefed by Sen. Murray prior to our visit, and either directly, or indirectly through Murray, was aware of these recent discussions between Thyssen and the Canadian Government.

McPhail has on several occasions met with two of the top people at Thyssen(Dr. Spethmann and Mr. Bartels) to specifically talk about Canada and the proposed joint venture with GM. McPhail has had previous discussions with MAN concerning the HLVW Program, and indicated that MAN had been trying to meet with him when he was in Bonn last week.

McPhail indicated that the Members of Parliament from the Atlantic region are apparently going to formally establish an "Atlantic caucus" similar to the "Quebec caucus". Although he did not say so, the clear impression was given that any program approved by ACOA could count on the full political backing of this caucus through Sen. Murray.

McPhail was told by Sen. Murray in briefings prior to our meeting that the Government is concerned about the future of GM's plant in

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London in light of the Government's initiatives to use defense procurement as a tool for Atlantic development. However, he also indicated that Government figures show that Atlantic Canada has not received a proportionate share of Canadian defence spending and the Government is determined to remedy the situation. The impression given was that Sen. Murray and McPhail are going to be key players in Canadian defence procurement, at least as long as the Conservative government remains in power.

McPhail indicated, as mentioned above, that the Government is trying to grapple with the problem of maintaining the GM facility in London. He made it clear that if GM presented a package proposal which included a new facility in Atlantic Canada (for example, a facility in Cape Breton for trucks for the HLVW Program?) subject to an "immediate" contract for the production of armoured vehicles in London, that ACOA and Sen. Murray would provide the required "support" for the total package. I personally feel that they have the clout to do this, and I base my opinion on discussions concerning Thyssen Henschel which are covered later in this memo. In other words, if GM is prepared to do something in Atlantic Canada, he gave the clear impression that something could be done to make sure the London plant gets some "early" armoured vehicle business. McPhail also gave the impression that the Government would probably prefer that GM, as opposed to Thyssen, go into Atlantic Canada, and that wheeled trucks, as opposed to tracked vehicles, be built there.

In so far as Thyssen is concerned, when I indicated that the major focus of our discussions with Thyssen had been the export market, McPhail made a point of making sure that we knew that his previous discussions with Bartels and the meeting in July between Beatty, Mazankowski and Sen. Murray had dealt with a Thyssen proposal to build 300 armoured personnel carriers in Cape Breton for DND. McPhail was surprised that this had not been discussed by GM and Thyssen, and he wanted to know what we had in fact talked about. When I indicated that the imminent market potentials that we had been discussing with Thyssen had focused on the export market, and the Middle East in particular, McPhail was surprised. In fact, he went so far as to say that the export of vehicles from Canada was not being considered by Thyssen based on his discussions and information. McPhail also gave the impression that notwithstanding the recent DND White Paper, that the Government is prepared to "adjust" the expressed procurement plans to make funds available for a purchase of armoured vehicles from Thyssen if those vehicles are manufactured in Atlantic Canada.

What this seems to indicate is that if GM was to put a facility in Atlantic Canada for the HLVW (and HET) programs, that the Government would probably be very receptive to giving an "immediate" order for 300 LAV's from London.

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When I again indicated that Thyssen had never discussed an immediate order for 300 vehicles from Canada, (these vehicles are probably TH 400 6x6 wheeled vehicles), McPhail gave the impression, although he certainly did not say it directly, that Bartels may not be receiving totally accurate information about the meetings between GM and Thyssen Henschel. At our meeting with Thyssen Henschel in August, we will obviously have to get this cleared up. Either GM or the Canadian Government, or both, are being misled by Thyssen or Frank Moores' GCI. The message being conveyed to the Canadian Government by Thyssen (or GCI?) is clearly different from our discussions.

McPhail said that when he talked to Bartels, after Bartels visit to Diesel Division in June, Bartels had indicated the following:

- that Bartels was optimistic that a joint venture could be "worked-out" with GM.
  - that Thyssen was interested in providing vehicles for the Canadian Government, and McPhail had the clear impression that Thyssen was no longer proposing to build vehicles in Canada for the export market.

As far as the first point is concerned, McPhail expressed the view that the debacle surrounding Thyssen's first attempt to establish a facility in Atlantic Canada, "should have taught them" that they must cooperate with GM. In view of the "public relations" problems concerning Thyssen's initial attempts, Thyssen may now be trying (or perhaps more appropriately, Frank Moores and GCI may now be trying) to get a manufacturing facility in Canada on the basis of politically acceptable wheeled vehicles built solely for DND. Then Thyssen would start to manufacture tracked vehicles for export. At that point the plant would already be committed for and future jobs and the plant's continued operation could be used as a lever to get the necessary political support. According to McPhail, Thyssen has indicated that they are anxious to move very quickly to establish in Canada. This urgency ties in with my previous conjecture that Thyssen may already have a substantial commitment to deliver vehicles to some politically unacceptable foreign country for which the German Government has revoked Thyssen's export licenses. I am suspicious that certain elements in Thyssen may feel that by having a Canadian plant, Thyssen will be able to get out of that bind by running the production through Canada.

## RECOMMENDATIONS

Based on these discussions with McPhail, the following is apparent:

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- The objective of the Canadian Government to "regionalize" defence procurement in Atlantic Canada poses a threat to GM's armoured vehicle business in London.
- Thyssen Henschel, or for that matter any other armoured vehicle manufacturer, which is willing to establish in Atlantic Canada could be awarded a contract for light armoured vehicles by DND.
- Although the Canadian Government is in a quandary about what to do about GM's armoured vehicle plant in London, this concern may be secondary to the Government's primary objective of getting something going in Atlantic Canada.
- The Canadian Government would probably be very receptive to a proposal which would accomplish both objectives of maintaining production in London and of establishing a facility in Atlantic Canada, whether that be a second GM plant in Atlantic Canada or a GM joint venture plant in Atlantic Canada with Thyssen.

The ideal solution for us may be the establishment of a GM plant in Atlantic Canada, financed with federal and provincial government incentives, for the manufacture of trucks for the HLVW and HET programs. This would have several benefits:

- . for the Canadian Government, this would be the best "political" solution because the product is wheeled, and is not an armoured vehicle.
- . for DND and GM the HLVW Program would likely be expanded.
- . for GM, the Government would probably be receptive to awarding an "immediate" contract for LAV 8x8's to Diesel Division to keep the London plant operating.
- for GM, in addition to "immediate" armoured vehicle production, GM would preserve the London plant for the longer term, and could turn away the threat posed by the initiatives of Thyssen.
- It places GM in the position of obtaining "strategic source" designation which could be a very important lever in any cooperation with Thyssen.

This strategy is dependent upon the HLVW and HET Programs. If GM is unable to proceed with those programs, then we may be "forced" to work something out in cooperation with Thyssen in Atlantic Canada.

OTT/SDC/CCS 2222207 - I told McPhail that we will be meeting with Thyssen. If we are not successful in reaching an agreement in principle at that time, we should get back to McPhail and explain exactly what the problem is so that he can have an opportunity to interact directly with Bartels. If Thyssen and GM cannot reach agreement, the HLVW and HET Programs in an Atlantic plant may be critical to eliminating the threat posed by Thyssen.

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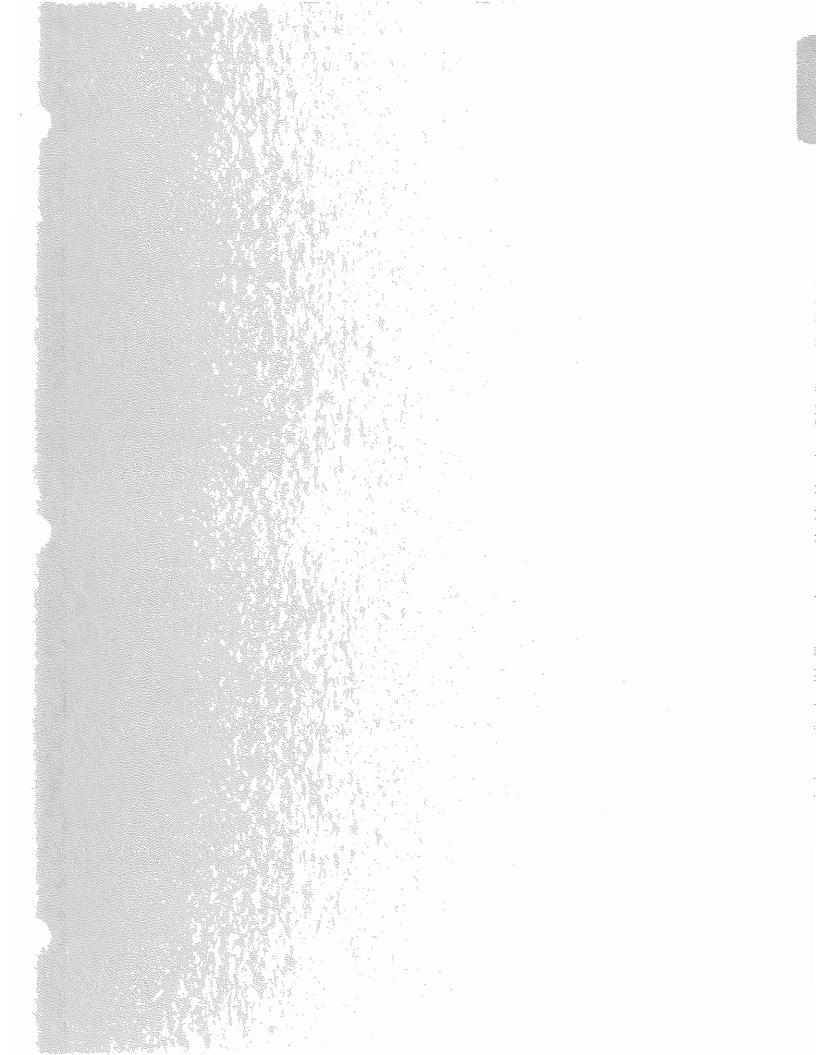
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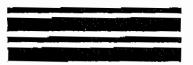
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Some time ago you asked me, in my capacity as Minister responsible for ACOA, to address the question of establishment of a vehicle manufacturing plant in Cape Breton, by Thyssen. I believe it is timely that I give you a report on this subject.

My officials and I have met several times with Thyssen officers or their representatives and, as well, with officials of National Defence and Supply & Services. I have in addition corresponded with and/or met relevant colleagues, in some cases jointly in meetings convened by Don Mazankowski. We have concluded that their intentions are serious, to set up a viable and long-term manufacturing facility in Cape Breton. Their first objective is to produce a light armoured vehicle for the Canadian Armed Forces, but they are through this action positioning themselves in North America to compete for U.S. military requirements. Their preferred location is the Strait of Canso area. Their expectation of conventional assistance is related to factory site and related infrastructure and is modest. They also want an assured order for 250 of the 750 vehicles required by Canada. More importantly, they want that order to be advanced in time by several years from the current DND timetable, i.e. to 198- from 199-. This has obvious funding implications. Thyssen's request for earlier production relates to their need to position themselves to bid for US orders.

While there has been recognition of the value to Canada and to Cape Breton of this proposed initiative, I have been unable to achieve consensus on either a firm requirement for a Thyssen-built vehicle (the military requirement has not yet been defined, since the time frame of their need is still several years away); or on the question of earlier funding than contemplated in the Defence White Paper.

Thyssen is not the only manufacturer in play. We have also had discussions with General Motors Canada, who are bidding on a different vehicle (truck/light armoured vehicle) and who are looking for far greater government infrastructure assistance, as well as an offset order for their London, Ontario plant.

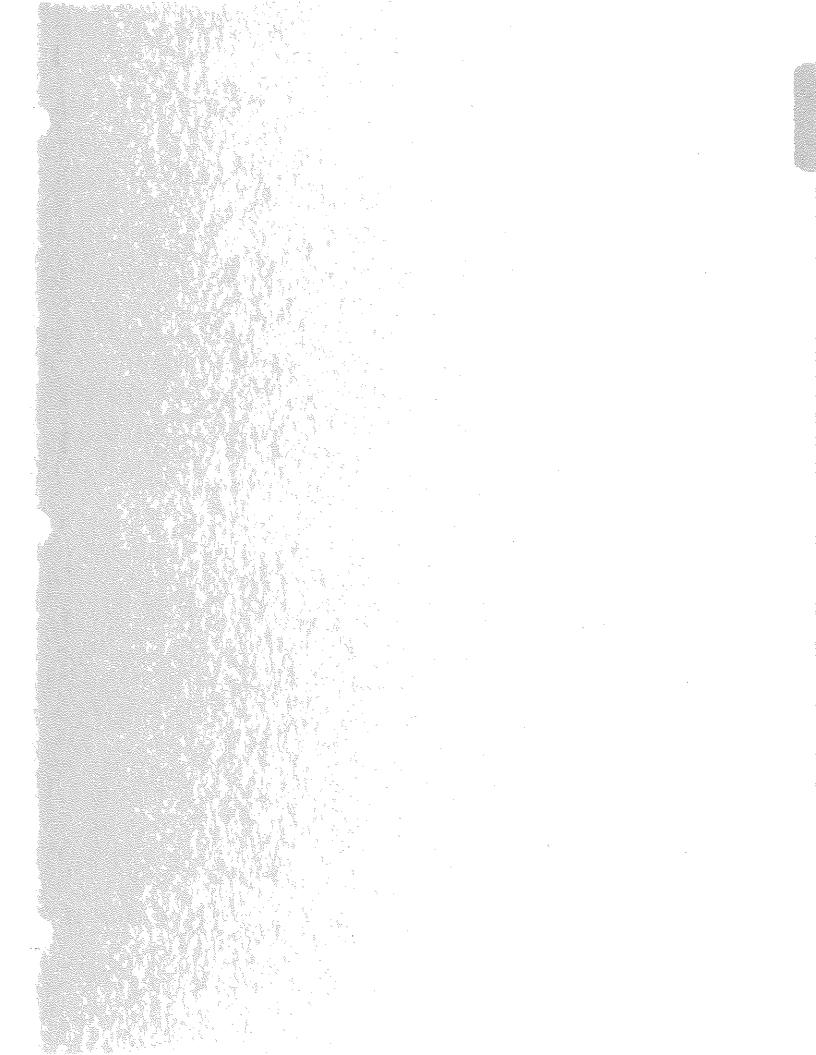
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More recently our colleague Paul Dick has brought to my attention other German manufacturers who are interested in constructing a plant in Atlantic Canada to build one or another of the Armed Forces' vehicle requirements and who might be prepared to combine with Thyssen, although to my knowledge this has not been explored in any detail.

To sum up, the Thyssen proposal is the most mature one yet received and relates to the Light Armoured Vehicle. The design qualifications for the LAV have not yet been firmed up by the military, although a project officer exists and I am given to understand that the specifications could be developed quickly if the time frame for production and funding were to be advanced. The sole sourcing of a part of the Armed Forces requirement of itself does not appear to be a problem. Advancing the funding time frame, however, is for DND not possible except with specific assistance from our colleague the Minister of Finance.

The suggestions offered by Paul Dick may well warrant further exploration, especially if a consortium enhances the size and scope of the eventual manufacturing facility.

In the final analysis, however, neither possibility can proceed without a political decision on sole sourcing and earlier funding. It is on these points specifically that I am writing to seek your direction to me and our colleagues.



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Further to my letter of October on the establishment by Thyssen of a military vehicle manufacturing plant in Cape Breton, I wish to apprise you of new developments just brought to my attention by Frank Moores and Elmer MacKay.

Pirst, Thyssen, whose Board has approved this project, is ready to join forces with a Canadian partner. I gather an understanding has been reached with Lavalin, giving the latter a 25 per cent share in the venture. Cooperation with either Bombardier or Power Corporation was also recently examined, but neither case was as mutually advantageous as the proposed Thyssen-Lavalin partnership.

Second, the acquisition of the Trenton Works from Hawker-Siddeley would be part of the proposed joint venture. We understand that Lavalin would assume a 75 percent equity position.

Adding Trenton to an offset package certainly throws a different light on the original proposal. Moreover, the potential benefits flowing from Lavalin's association with Thyssen deserve consideration. I draw these developments to your attention, of course, because of their relevance to a required government decision on sole sourcing and advancing the timing of the DND vehicle contract.

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## Notes on a meeting held in the Office of the Minister responsible for ACOA on October 20, 1987 at 4 p.m.

Subject: Thyssen

Present:

- Senator Lowell Murray
- . Honourable E. Mackay, Minister of National Revenue
- . Honourable P.D. Moores, Chairman of the Board,
- Government Consultants International
- . Paul Bernier, ACOA-Ottawa

<u>Discussion</u>: Mr. Moores provided background information on the current status of Thyssen's Interest is establishing a military vehicle manufacturing facility in the Strait of Canso, Nova Scotia. In particular, he noted that:

- DND could develop specifications for its vehicle requirement within about a month if the time frame for production and funding were advanced; this was confirmed to him by General Vance;
- Thyssen's Board had approved the project;
- earlier discussions on a joint venture with General Motors had failed and were no longer being pursued; and
- discussions had been held recently with Bombarbier, Power Corporation and Lavalin.

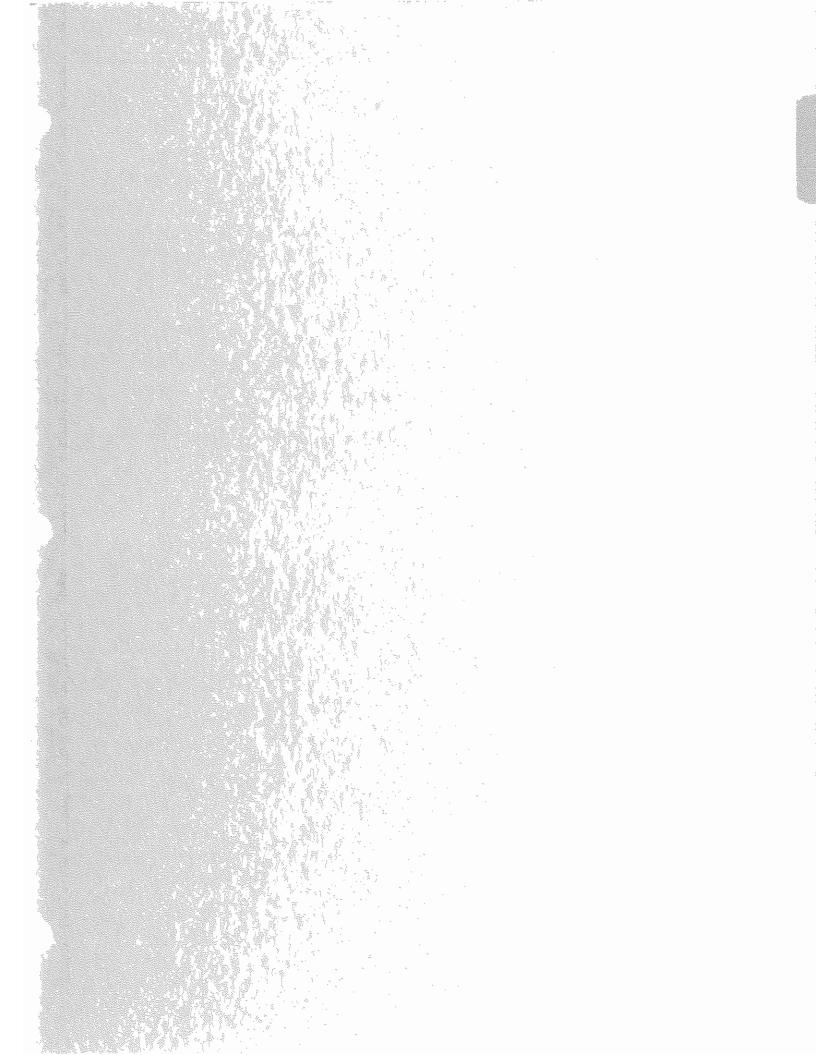
He stated that there was apparent agreement to form a Thyssen-Lavalin joint venture in which Lavalin's equity position would be 25 percent. In addition, the joint venture would include the acquisition of the Hawker-Siddeley Trenton Works. The equity positions would be 75 percent Lavalin and 25 percent Thyssen. The understanding was that the two facilities created by the joint venture would be mutually exclusive.

Mr. Moores understood that Thyssen would have no difficulty in meeting DND's technical specifications, and would be able to offer an acceptable price to DND. However, he believed that DND objected to sole-sourcing. The addition of Trenton as an offset should minimize any difficulty with sole-sourcing, he suggested.

Senator Murray indicated that he had recently written to the Prime Minister to report on the Thyssen dossier and proposed to inform him of these most recent developments.

Mr. MacKay planned to raise the issue on 21 October with the Premier of Nova Scotia.

Paul Bernier October 22, 1987





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Dear Senator:

As you are aware, Thyssen Industrie AG has recently approved expansion of their industrial base by establishing a new North American manufacturing facility.

We are now at the point where we must make our final decision as to its site. One of our options and indeed our preferred option at this time is a site in Canada; namely, Bear Head, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia.

I therefore thought it appropriate to send you this letter to set forth what we are prepared to do and what steps are necessary to trigger our commitment.

Bear Head Industries Ltd., owned by Thyssen will commit:

- to establish an advanced technology manufacturing center for steel product fabrication, thereby initially creating 400 direct jobs;
- 2) substantial direct capital investment in the first phases;
- a joint cooperative agreement with a Canadian partner; namely, Lavalin Inc. (this agreement has already been reached);
- 4) direct technology transfers to our Canadian facility;

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- 5) technology transfers to our Canadian cooperative partner, Lavalin Inc., for major projects; i. e.; rail cars and related equipment. Terms and conditions have to be agreed upon;
- 6) participation with appropriate government programs to provide worker training at existing vocational centres and in our to be built plant;
- 7) immediate commencement of sourcing tours to identify potential Canadian subcontractors;
- 8) technology transfers to Canadian ventures where we can be prime or joint partners. Terms and conditions have to be agreed upon;
- 9) Bear Head Industries is prepared to share working hours with production facilities located in Trenton Nova Scotia to support the efforts of the Canadian Government to solve unemployment problems. Terms and conditions have to be agreed upon;
- 1A) Technology transfer to Trenton-subcontractors. Terms and conditions have to be agreed upon.

Required Canadian action to commit this project to Cape Breton:

- provision of infrastructure and investment incentives and investment tax credits applicable to Cape Breton, as we have discussed to date with the province of Nova Scotia, the Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency and the Department of Regional Industrial Expansion;
- 2) a letter of intent to procure from the Thyssen Bear Head facility a minimum of 250 light armoured vehicles as required by the Canadian Department of National Defence. This letter, of course, would be subject to reasonable conditions for satisfactory pricing, direct Canadian production jobs, compliance with DND specifications for design and performance, etc..

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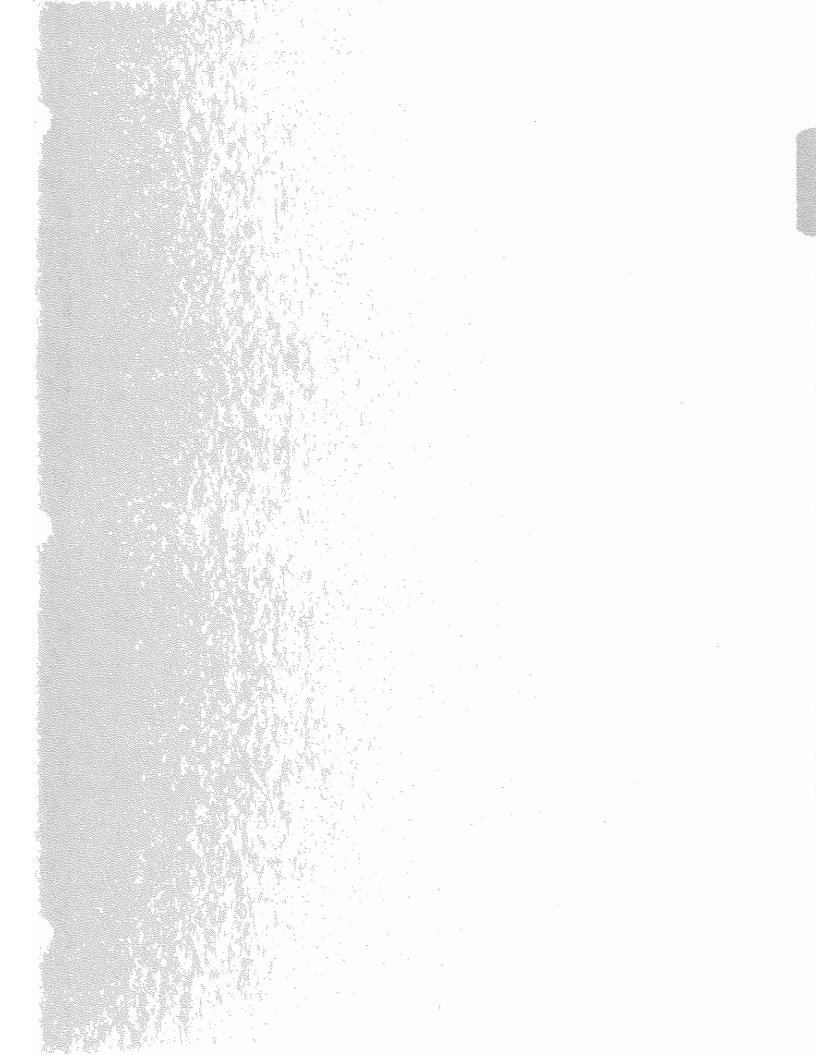
Senator, we know of your interest and assistance to date in encouraging us to establish our North American facility in Cape Breton, and we are prepared to proceed immediately if such a letter of intent from Canada can be provided.

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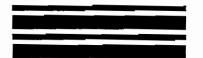
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Senator Lowell Murray

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### MEMORANDUM

In the midst of the unnecessary confusion over Thyssen, I thought it worthwhile reminding that all it takes is a highly conditional letter from DND to Thyssen such as: "If you meet all our requirements at your proposed Cape Breton plant regarding specifications, price, delivery and quality, then we are prepared to give you an order for the initial 250 light armoured vehicles of our 1600 requirement."

The moment this is done, you or the PM can announce 400 direct permanent jobs, eventually increasing to 2000 in Cape Breton (not counting 500 immediate construction jobs). Thyssen is prepared to transfer 50% of manhours to Trenton, which ties in with the PM's statements on the attached clipping.

Why hasn't this been done yet? Because DND chooses to be unaware of the Government's stated policy to use procurement as an important component of regional economic development. And perhaps because it may be "falling between the chairs" between the Ministers?

On Monday, November 16th, the senior Thyssen people on this file will arrive in Canada to

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# Hope for Trenton

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Provincial sources say that the Provincial sources say that the only thing holding up the company's decision to invest in the province is the final approval of the prime minister, but warn of a strong Ontario lobby trying to kill the deal.

Mr. Mulraney also said Friday he

hopes all provinces will eventually support a free trade deal with the United States, an agreement he strongly feels is in the national inter-

But the prime minister strongly binied he is prepared to conclude the deal, with or without full provincial support. Ontario, Manitoba and Prince Edward Island have all said

they oppose the proposed agreement, "Unanimity is lovely, but it is not indispensable," he said.

"I just assume that if the deal is In the national interest, provinces will be persuaded on its value ... and will want to endorse It."

Mr. Multoney moved to alleviate continuing concerns voiced by Pre-mier Buchanan over the effects of a trado deal on regional development

Regional programs have emerged "Intact" from the trade negotiations, he soid, but admitted luture public in-

vestments will have to be examined with respect to possible countervail actions from south of the border.

Mr. Mulrodey said the three

Michelin Tire plants operating in Nova Scotia will not be affected by "the (trade) deal itself."

But the prime minister was at a loss to explain what deputy finance minister Stanley Hartt exactly meant when he said a week ago "the Michelin Tire type of transaction is just not on anymore."

Mr. Mulroney, in his speech Friday to members of the 600 Club, delended the free trade deal as a document that will prepare Canada for the

21st century
The Conservative leader, in an election-style pep talk to the party faithful, accused both Liberal leader John Turner and NDP chief Ed Broadbent of wanting to drag the country back to the 19th century with

their opposition to the trade deal. .:
The political battle lines are clearly drawn in the free trade dotrate, Mr. Mulroney said, pointing to an anti-free trade coalition of the Orits and NDP facing the Conservative government.

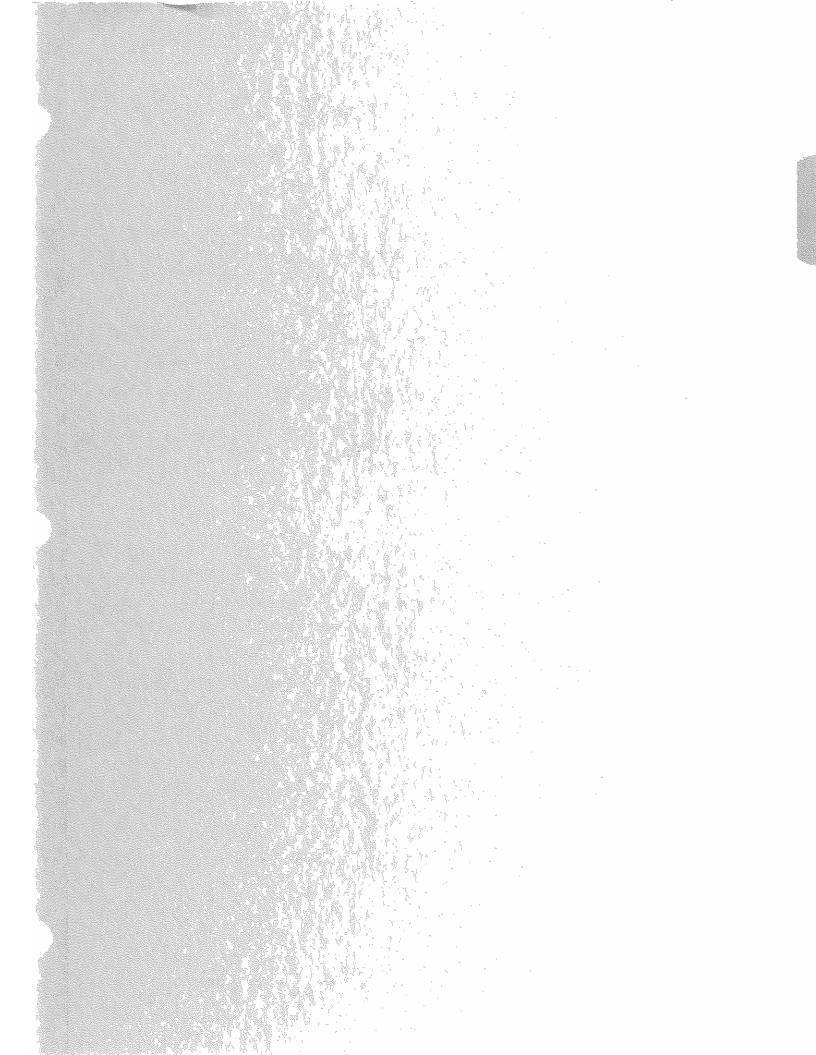
"The opponents speak of a little Canada... a tinuid, timorous Canada that requires protection, that requires hig government and high taxes to protect little Canada ..."

But Mr. Mulroney vowed that "we are not little Canadians... We pre big, strong, vigorous, vital Canadisms who, if given half a chance, cannot only do our best in the world, but can be part of the best in the world. . .". The prime minister said he sought

a free trade deal trying to avoid "the

burdens of a little Canada, a trendy, cute, little, protected Canada..."

Mr. Mulroney, bis wife, Mita, and daughter Caroline left Halifax late Friday afternoon for Quebec City for a farewell dinner for Queen Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh, who are ending their 15-day visit to Canada.





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December 7, 1987

Senator Lowell Murray
Minister Responsible for the
Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency
Room 275 S
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House of Commons
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Dear Senator Murray:

Thank you very much for meeting with me on November 30, 1987, to discuss our project for Bear Head, Cape Breton.

I write to provide a short summary of the recent developments relating to this project.

Canadian Partner:

Lavalin Inc. has agreed to a joint cooperative agreement with Bear Head Industries to market Thyssen light armoured vehicles (LAVs) to Canada's DND. Both parties are actively exploring the opportunities for production cooperation at independently and/or jointly established facilities. (namely, at Bear Head and at the Trenton works).

Province of Nova Scotia:

Premier Buchanan and Minister Thornhill have committed, through the Nova Scotia Department of Development, an option for the land required for our plant. We will proceed with detailed discussions relating to the project as soon as a Federal commitment for vehicles is received.

U.S. Market Outlook for Thyssen:

The Thyssen Fuchs LAV was recently selected by the U.S. Army for a phase 1 order of 44 vehicles. The second phase of this order originally identified as 230 vehicles is now forecast at approximately 450 to 500 vehicles. As you are already aware, this is only a small part of \$200 billion U.S. Army program for armoured vehicles in the 1990s.

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### Project Status:

A North American expansion of Thyssen's industrial base is still focused on Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, as a preferred site, but to trigger such a large capital investment, we still need to receive a letter of intent from the Government of Canada that would commit a minimum of 250 vehicles from DND's required 1600 LAV requirement. This would naturally be subject to a vehicle being defined and designed cooperatively between Thyssen and DND to meet the operational requirements of DND from the entire range of Thyssen technology. I have prepared a draft of such a letter that would be sufficient to secure our project in Cape Breton starting immediately (attachment).

Please note that moving the LAV order forward to 1990 from the original DND procurement date of 1992 is no longer required by us. We would proceed immediately with construction of the plant and undertake to load the plant with civil work as well as some work from the U.S. LAV order until production for the Canadian order could commence.

This armoured vehicle production facility will be unique in Canada and provide a major addition to Canada's Defence Industrial Base, establishing a new capacity to produce DND requirements domestically. Not to be overlooked is the very high skilled labour content of these products which will be built in Nova Scotia but will impact on the entire country through sourcing of components and systems.

In addition to this initial military vehicle production, we plan to bring immediate diversification to the plant through civil manufacturing associated with existing North American Thyssen operations and North American joint ventures.

## Timing:

Having begun discussions with the Government of Canada in May of 1985, Thyssen cannot delay the decision of where to locate this North American manufacturing facility much longer. The increasingly encouraging market outlook in the U.S. helps to confirm the corporate decision to expand our North American operations by establishing this new facility, but understandably strengthens the case for locating in the U.S., and sites in that country are now being much more seriously considered. Time is of the essence.

If I can provide any further information on this subject, please do not hesitate to call me at 613-563-3321.

Sincerely yours,

Karlheinz Schreiber Chairman

## Proposed draft Letter from Government of Canada to Bear Head Industries Ltd.

Based upon our policy of stimulating regional economic development through defence procurements and, conditional upon your establishment in Cape Breton of a suitable manufacturing facility, we commit to you an order for delivery in 1992 of the initial 250 light armoured vehicles of our 1,600 unit requirement, provided:

- a) in cooperation with DND you define and develop a vehicle from the entire range of Thyssen technology to meet DND operational requirements
- b) manufacturing of this vehicle will take place at your plant in Cape Breton, Nova Scotia
- c) you transfer the necessary technology to your facility in Cape Breton and share jobs with suitable Canadian manufacturing partners
- d) you meet our requirements in terms of quality, delivery and logistic support including personnel training
- e) you perform the aforesaid services/tasks at internationally acceptable prices





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### MEMORANDUM

SECRET June 1, 1988

To:

Senator Lowell Murray

From:

D.S. McPhail

Subject: THYSSEN

On Wednesday evening, I met with Karlheinz Schreiber of Bearhead Industries and Greg Alford, of GCI, on advancing the Thyssen file. This note reports on the outcome of that meeting.

I shared with Schreiber my view that there might be an immediate opportunity, possibly during the context of the June 15-21 visit by Chancellor Kohl to Canada, for the Government to consider the Thyssen heavy-industry proposal. In addition, key elements of the Cape Breton Investment Tax Credit -- a possible source of funds for assisting the proposed Bearhead facility -- expire June 30.

I pointed out to Schreiber that if the Government chose to adopt this fast-track approach, Thyssen would have to prepare immediately a formal business plan for the Bearhead facility. The business plan would state clearly the degree of Thyssen's commitment to future product lines -- particularly civilian production -- and provide comfort to Ministers that once established, the Bearhead facility would be independent of future government support.

I believe that Thyssen is in the process of backing away from its demand for a formal letter of intent from the Government, guaranteeing a contract for 250 light armoured vehicles. I expect that instead, Thyssen will seek increased regional development and site-establishment funding -- funding which I am hopeful could be accommodated within existing sources.

Of obvious concern are the timing constraints dictated by the pending visit by Chancellor Kohl. I understand that the Chancellor will be in Ottawa on June 15th.

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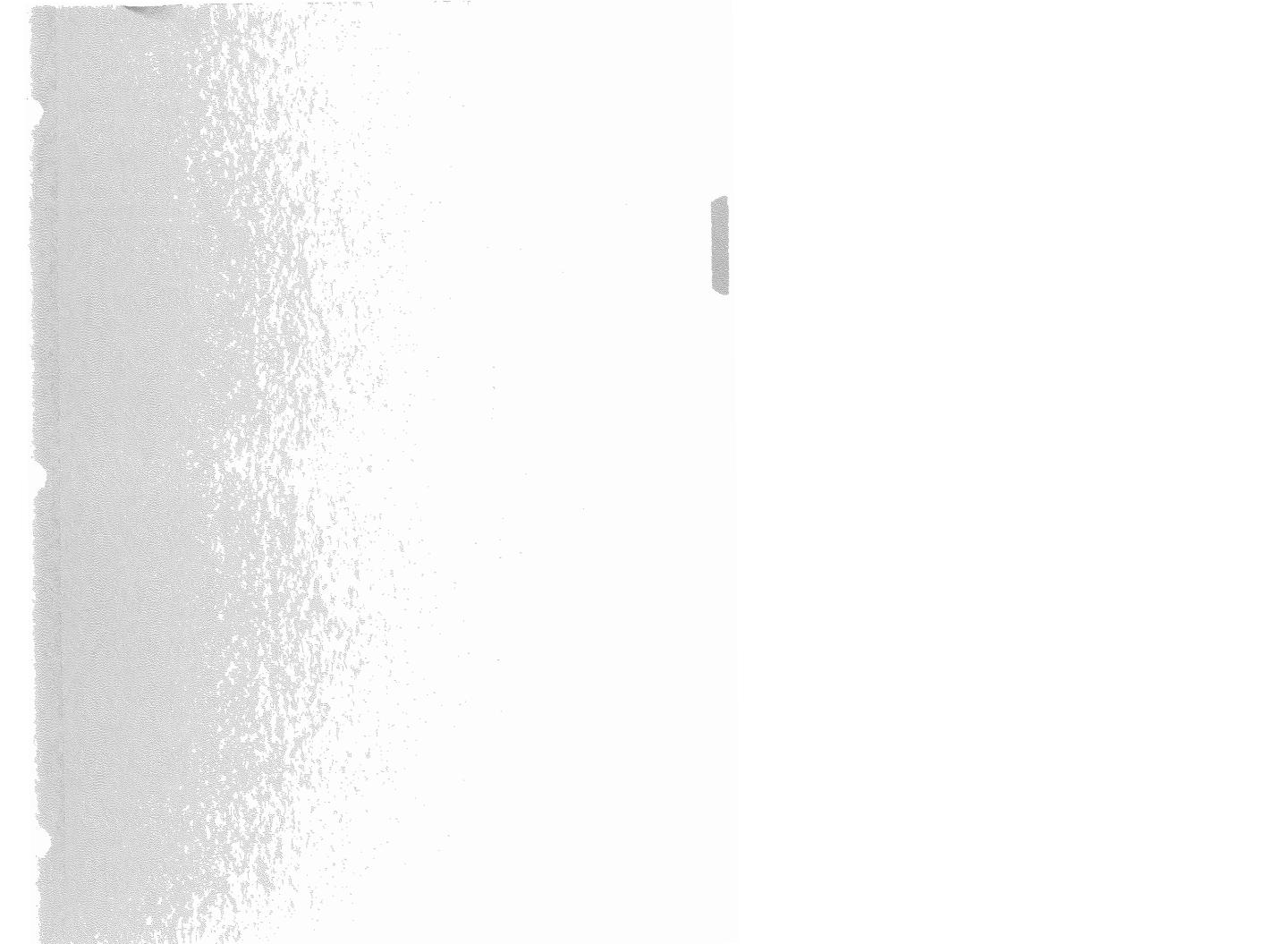
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I would hope to receive a business plan from Thyssen which meets the Government's requirements by the middle of next week. If appropriate, the entire proposal could be tendered for consideration, first by key Ministers, and then more formally by Cabinet if necessary, early in the week beginning June 12.

While I agree that these timing challenges are considerable, I believe that the particular opportunities for Cape Breton afforded by moving forward at this point are worth seizing.

Don McPhail





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June 14, 1988

My der Prime Minister,

As you are aware, Thyssen Industrie A.G. of West Germany is proposing through a subsidiary, Bearhead Industries, to establish a heavy industry manufacturing facility in Cape Breton.

I am writing to provide you with a brief summary of the status of Thyssen issue, in the event that you wish to raise this matter during your bilateral discussions later this week with Chancellor Kohl.

Given the still preliminary nature of the Thyssen proposal and bearing in mind the difficulties caused when Thyssen's earlier proposal was misunderstood, I doubt that you or Chancellor Kohl would wish to proceed publicly with this issue at this time. However, should mention be made of Thyssen's proposal, it will be important to stress that Thyssen is pursuing the establishment of a heavy industry facility for Cape Breton.

Although it continues to be clear that the initial basis for a decision by Thyssen to locate in Cape Breton is production aimed at the North American defence market, the long-term intention of both Thyssen and ourselves is the establishment of a commercial, Thyssen believes, civilian-oriented manufacturing plant. and we concur, that a facility of this nature would undoubtedly attract other manufacturing facilities to the Cape Breton region.

Generally speaking, I believe that Thyssen's proposal offers considerable economic benefits, including substantial employment, and opportunities for technology transfer in a particularly underdeveloped region of Canada.

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The Right Honourable Brian Mulroney, P.C., M.P. Room 309-S, Centre Block House of Commons, Ottawa, Ontario KIA OA3

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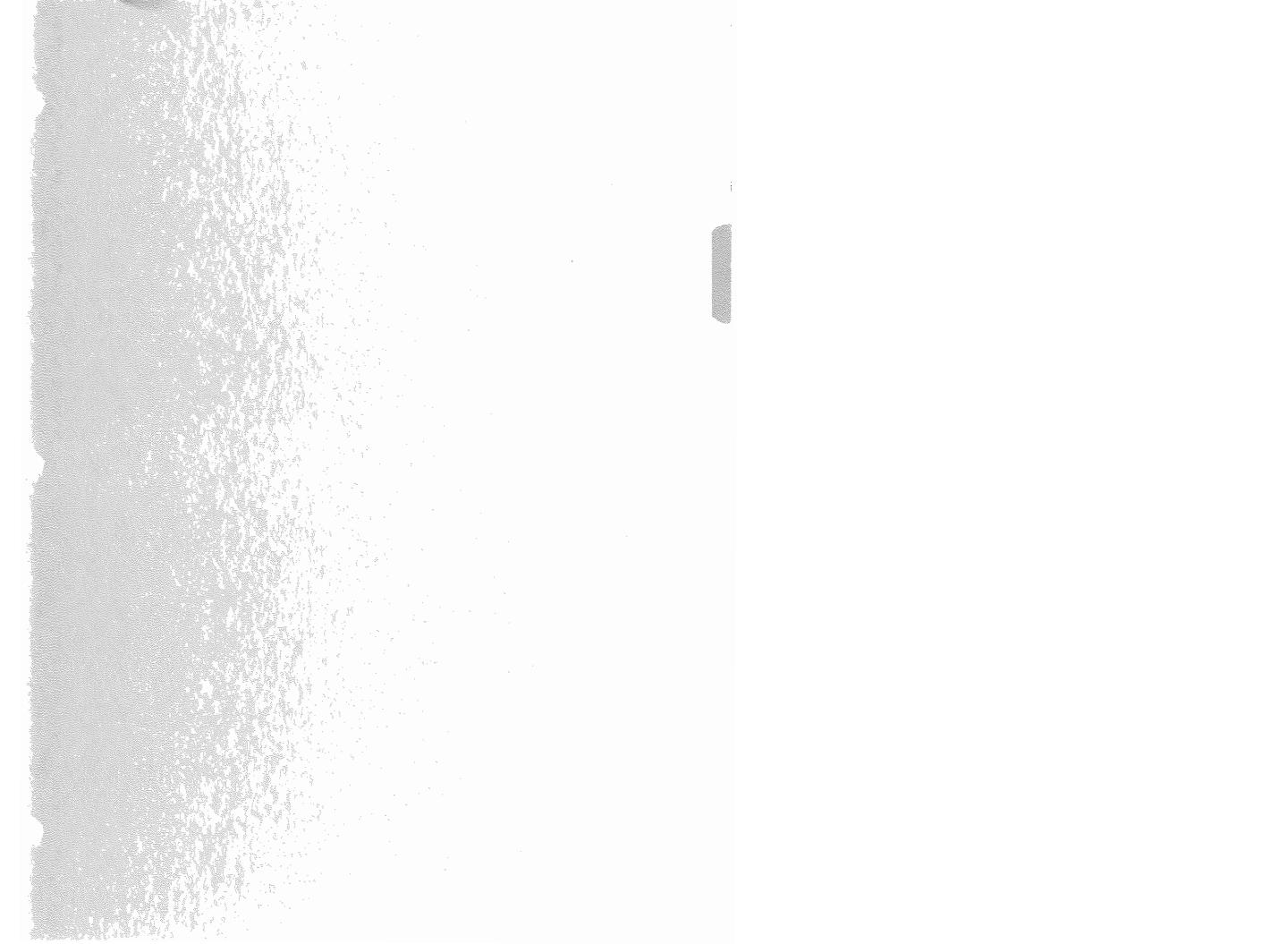
Moreover, if the Government chose to facilitate the establishment of a heavy manufacturing plant at Cape Breton, this facility would dovetail very well with Lavalin's revitalized Trenton Works railcar facility, our defence priorities as articulated in the Defence White Paper, and of course, offshore development of the Hibernia field.

To conclude, I am confident that Thyssen's proposal would benefit Canada and Cape Breton, and the matter is poised to be concluded shortly.

yours sourcely,

Lowell Murray

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#### COMMITTEE OF ATLANTIC HINISTERS

TUESDAY, JUNE 14, 1988

In attendance: Senator L. Murray (Chairperson)

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Officials:

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Minister Murray informed his colleagues that the Agency was making a further submission to the Treasury Board, requesting additional person-years. He noted officials had expected four times the workload, however, with the program expansion and improvements, the actual case load was ten times greater. A large percentage of ACOA resources, therefore, have been diverted to program delivery. Minister Murray expressed his concern that the advocacy and coordination roles would suffer as a consequence. Mr. McPhail remarked the submission was a modest increase given the volume of applications the Agency was dealing with. He added resources had been borrowed from other functional areas in the Agency to beef up the program side.

Mr. Merrithew remarked that only 1300 person-years was available for allocation in 1988-89, against a demand of 5000. Demands were coming from the free trade and tax reform initiatives, as well as many others. Mr. McPhail stated his Department was carrying on more programs than its predecessor, DRIE, in addition to its new initiatives. He further noted the Agency was operating with fewer people than DRIE, productivity was four times greater, and people were badly overworked. Minister Hurray noted the Agency would not be able to meet its projected 30 day turn around under these conditions. Minister Murray asked that an Agency official get in touch with Ministers Merrithew and McInnes before the submission went forward to Treasury Board, to supply them with all the arguments possible. In addition, Mr. McPhail agreed to meet with Mr. Veilleux to discuss the matter further.

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With respect to the Chair for Regional Development at the Université de Moncton, Hinister Murray stated it would keep the profile of regional development high. He added that the universities had an integral role to play, and stressed the importance of encouraging a culture of entrepreneurship. Minister Valcourt would be making the announcement on behalf of Minister Hurray.

Mr. McPhail informed that he had asked Thyssen officials to submit a business plan before the Chancellor's visit. In the plan, he wanted the company to confirm its intentions to move away from a firm commitment for light armoured vehicles, and instead, move towards more traditional regional development assistance and grants for their heavy industry facility. Mr. McPhail stated Thyssen had now backed away from the issue, because their associates in Ottawa had heard about a draft Memorandum to Cabinet from DND, allocating certain procurement to the West.

Mr. Mackay noted the possibility that sooner or later, their proposal could be overtaken by events. He stressed that Thyssen was prepared to put a major industrial presence in the region. Mr. McPhail stated that he did not see any alternative to this course of action. Minister Murray requested a note on this issue be written for the attention of the Prime Minister.

Concerning the Halifax Metro Agreement, Minister Murray explained that federal funds would be directed to particular parts of the agreement. He also noted the polluter pay principle. Minister Valcourt raised his concern about distancing from the perception that ACOA's funds were being used for infrastructure. Minister Murray agreed Mr. McInnes' announcement would have to be refined to address this concern.

With respect to the next round of ERDA meetings with his provincial colleagues, Minister Murray stated he had mot with Premier McKenna and would be meeting with Premier Ghiz this week, and was arranging meetings with Premiers Peckford and Buchanan.

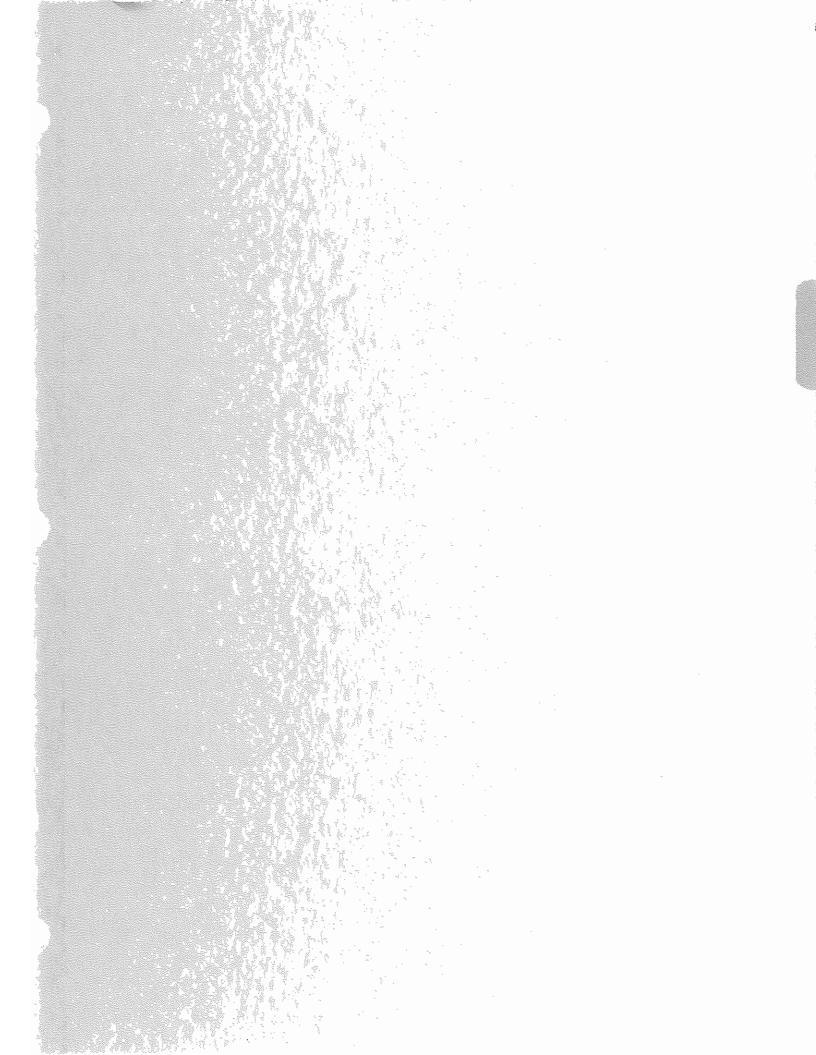
Hinisters agreed it was necessary to have a list of management principles for the ERDA process for federal line departments, as well as a letter to line departments concerning further negotiations.

Meeting adjourned at 9:05 a.m.

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The Right Hon. Brian Hulroney, P.C., M.P. Prime Minister of Canada Ottawa, Ontario K1A OA2

February 1, 1988

Dear Mr. Prime Minister:

As you are already aware, Thyssen Industrie AG has been interested in a major expansion of our North American activities into heavy industries. The initiation of this expansion will be based on armoured military vehicle production with industrial diversification plans being implemented upon securing adequate commitments for armoured military vehicles from this new facility.

To understand the investment conditions and regional development priorities for Atlantic Canada we have had lengthy discussions with Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency (ACOA) and also with the Frevince of Nova Scotia. The outcome of which has been the identification of a site for our industrial facility at Beer Head near Port Hawkesbury on Cape Breton.

We are aware that the Canadian Armed Forces have requirements in the near future for tracked vehicles, namely, Main Battle Tanks (MBT's) which the Canadian Armed Forces hope

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to acquire, starting in about four years time, and Light Armoured Vehicles/Light Armoured Utility Vehicles (LAV/LAUV) starting approximately five years from nov.

In response to these DND requirements, we have broadened our original proposal to produce LAV's/LAUV's, to include a production of major components and establishment of a total maintenance and support centre for the main battle tank (MBT). Krauss Maffei has committed to participate in this proposed centre through the commitment of the manufacture of heavy components such as the hull and turnet structure of the Leopard II. Krauss Maffei, who are teamed with Ferrostaal AG for the Canadian program, have detailed their cooperation in the attached letter. Cooperation between Thyssen and Krauss Maffei is already well established, as Thyssen Industries is a supplier for approximately 20% of the major component content of the Leopard II in its West German production.

This will create a unique defence equipment centre of excellence for Canada to be established with the inherent ability to manufacture, sustain and support the entire Canadian Forces need; simultaneously, this fits very well with the already agreed partnership and facility production linkages between Thyssen/Bear Head and Lavalin Inc. and their newly acquired Tranton Works.

Military contracts for MET's and LAV's/LAUV's could be used as a springboard to realize the development of an industrial complex which it is envisaged will have major civilian components as well as military capacity.

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If the Canadian Government finds this proposal of interest, the companies involved would be happy to enter into immediate negotiations to refine this project, finalize contracts, and start the project immediately upon receipt of confirmation of commitment from the Canadian Government.

The companies herein committing to work jointly are prepared to bring investment capital, to commit to a transfer of technology and undertake to establish and carry out research and development at this facility in order to bring to fruition an industrial complex which will meet agreed upon expectations.

The location near Port Hawkesbury, Nova Scotia will allow us to supply the Canadian market, enter into competition in the American market, and enable the export overseas of a diversity of products, subject of course to the receipt of appropriate Canadian export permits.

If the Government of Canada feels that the proposal should be persued then contact made with Bear Head Industries Ltd. at 908-350 Sparks Streat would be welcomed.

With sincerest regards,

J. Massmann

Bear Head Industries

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The Prime Minister has asked me to reply on his behalf to your February 1 letter concerning Thyssen Industrie AG's proposal to develop a production facility in Nova Scotia.

The Thyssen proposal has been under active consideration for some time. As you know, it has implications for a number of major procurement decisions, and I am unable, therefore, to respond on behalf of the government at this time. Please accept my thanks for your expression of interest in this matter.

I have sent an identical letter to your colleague, Mr. Haastert.

Yours sincerely,

Lowell Murray Minister

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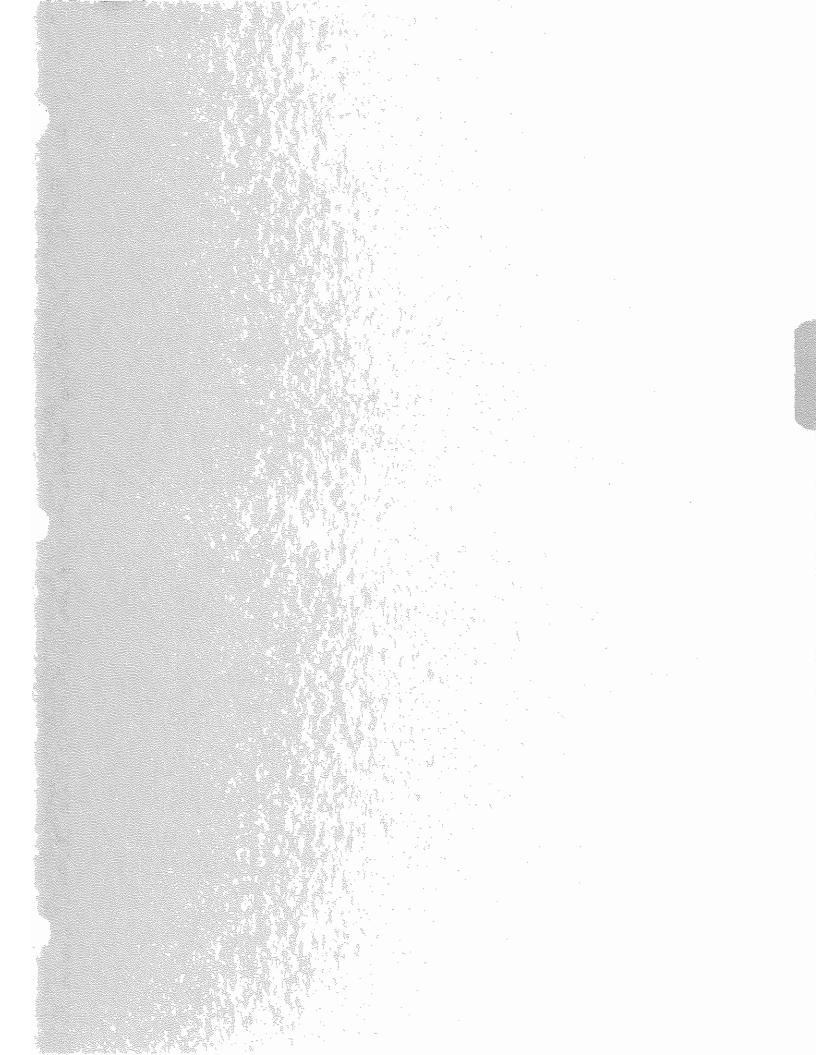
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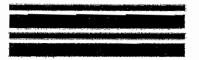
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### Results of July 6 Discussion on Thyssen

This morning's discussion on the proposed "statement of intent" (SOI) between Ministers and Thyssen was not encouraging.

Attendees were: ACOA - Potter, McDowell DRIE - Mackay, Taylor DND - Healey

#### ACOA Position

- Thyssen file has been ongoing for over a year;
- Thyssen anxious to conclude negotiations regarding; a) its participation in the U.S. project; and b) approval from their Board of Directors to proceed with a North American facility;
- . SOI is nothing more than we would normally do;
- . Senator Murray will be reporting to the Prime Minister on the status of the Bearhead project; and
- feel the SOI should be supported.

The general positions of both DND and DRIE were the following:

- not supportive of putting forward SOI as written to respective Ministers for signature, because SOI appears to imply a degree of contractual obligation;
- , will respond formally to ACOA by the end of this week with particular concerns; and

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as a compromise -- and delaying factor -- suggest that Senator Murray exchange letters with each of Messrs. Beatty and de Cotret on respective undertakings -- letters which presumably could be shared with Thyssen.

The specific concerns raised were the following:

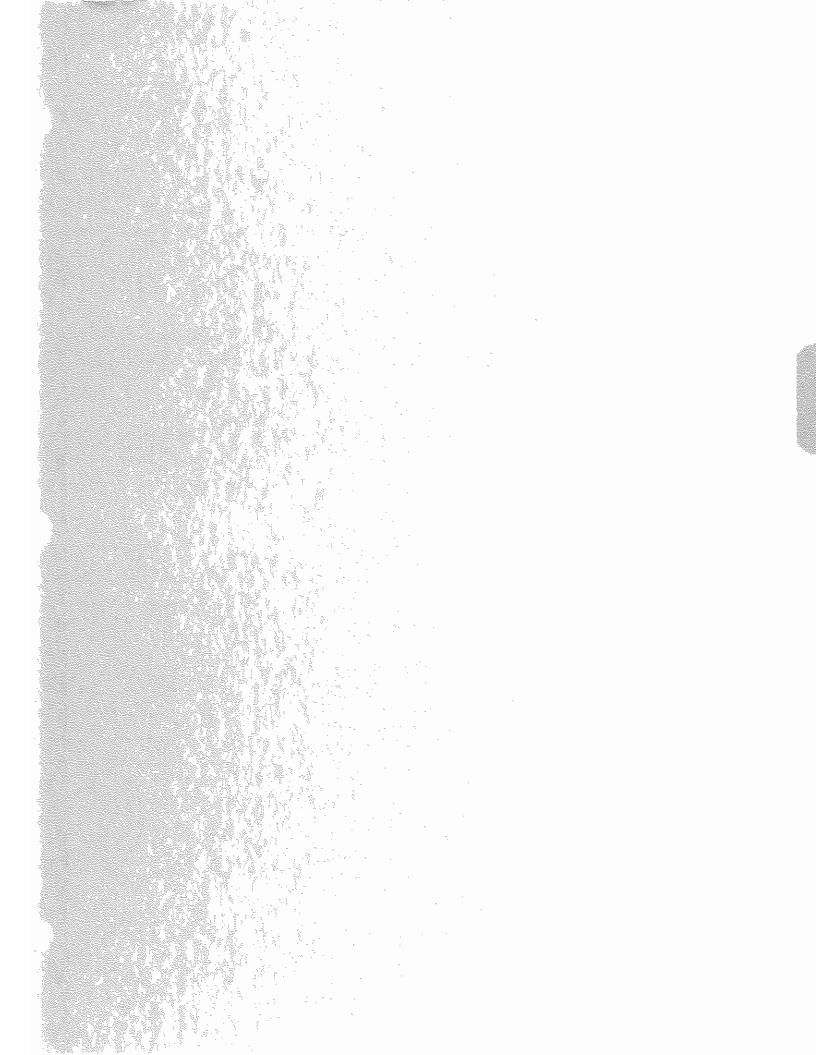
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- worried about apparent lack of commitment by Thyssen to meaningful civilian diversification (worried about getting the Government "halfpregnant");
- excess Canadian productive capacity in military vehicle sector -- speculated about possible closure of GM Diesel Division; and
- cited historical controversy regarding Thyssen and "extremely-strongly-held views by Ministers" on this issue.

#### DND

- entire DND capital acquisition program -- including LAV's -- is uncertain and mired in the Government's approval process;
- see SOI approach as possibly requiring Cabinet approval due to need to seek views of other Ministers (Clark, Jelinek); and
- . Beatty extremely reluctant to "regionalize" additional major military issues in light of recent (TCCCS, NTV, NRMP) disappointments.

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July 11, 1988

TO

The Honourable Lowell Murray

FROM

Don S. McPhall

SUBJECT:

Attached letter to the Prime Minister

concerning Thyssen

Attached for your signature, if you agree, is a letter to the Prime Minister providing an assessment of the Thyssen proposal and stressing the significant economic benefits the Thyssen project would create in Cape Breton. Your letter also indicates the rationale for negotiating a "statement of intent" between the Government and Thyssen.

The letter points out that while the Thyssen facility would initially engage in defence-related production almed at North American markets, the long-term intention of Thyssen and yourself is the establishment of a commercial, civilian-oriented manufacturing facility.

In concluding, the letter notes that if the Prime Minister shares your view that the Cape Breton heavy-industry facility be established, he may wish to speak to Messrs. Beatty and de Cotret to solicit their support.

Don S. McFhail

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#### MEMORANDUM

DATE:

July 12, 1988

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The Honourable Lowell Murray

FROM:

D. S. McPhail

President-designate

SUBJECT: Thyssen

As a supplement to the letter you have signed to the PM on the Thyssen case, you might want to have available:

- 1. The draft Statement of Intent prepared by us which Thyssen is generally aware of and would find too non-committal with respect to the defence procurement; and
- Letters from DND and DIST stating their relatively negative reaction to the Statement of Intent.

D. S. McPhail

#### Attachment

cc W. Potter J. Wilkins

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July 12, 1988

My dear hime Minister.

Some time ago, you requested me to examine and further develop, as required, the proposal by Thyssen Industries A.G. to establish a heavy-industry manufacturing facility in Cape Breton. I am writing to provide you with my assessment, and to recommend a course of action for the Government to facilitate the realization of the Thyssen project.

I am fully satisfied that given the nature of the company's development approach to its world-wide operations. Thyssen's proposal for Cape Breton offers very considerable economic benefits, including substantial employment, and opportunities for technology transfer, to a particularly underdeveloped region of Caneda. Under arrangements already tentatively in place, the Cape Breton plant would also pursue shared production and sourcing arrangements with Lavalin's revitalized Trenton facility, and be ideally-positioned to participate in the development of Hibernia. Moreover, the heavy-industry capability of the Thyssen plant would also dovetail exceedingly well with the production and sourcing requirements of Krauss Maffei's proposal to us for Canadian and West German coproduction of main battle tanks, and related components.

Although it continues to be clear that the initial basis for a decision by Thyssen to locate in Cape Breton is production eimed at North American defence markets, I accept the Company's assertion that the long-term intention of Thyssen is to establish a commercial, civilian-oriented, manufacturing plant. Thyssen believes, and we concur, that a facility of this nature would undoubtedly attract other manufacturing facilities to the Cape Breton region.

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This comporate requirement for a defence order as a basis for launching the Cape Braton plant, has been the stumbling block. Initially, Thyssen sought a commitment from the Covernment for a portion of our expected light armored vehicle purchase. We have consistently refused partly because such sole sourcing, even subject to certain conditions about price and quality, runs counter to policy; and partly because of the existence of other potential producers even in the Atlantic Region itself. Lately, Thyssen has become confident that the initial military order for the Cape Breton heavy-industry facility could be had in a contract to supply, on a sole-source basis, some 500 of the Thyssen "Fox" armoured vehicles to the U.S. armed forces. To meet this production, Thyssen is pursuing formal partnership arrangements with U.S.-based General Dynamics. It remains uncertain however.

I have directed Don McPhail to negotiate with Thyssen on the basis of a "statement of intent", which would set out the status of our progress to date. While of a non-binding character a written confirmation of our understandings so far would be quite helpful to Thyssen, not only to shore up its partnership negotiations with General Dynamics, but would also facilitate the authorization from Thyssen's own board of directors, to proceed in Cape Breton.

Such a statement of intent would be restricted to an affirmation of the Government's policy on economic development programming, and defence site-establishment assistance, for which Thyssen would normally be expected to be eligible. There would be no commitment, implied or otherwise, to source a military contract to Thyssen, on other than competitive grounds in complete accordance with our existing procurement policy. For its part, Thyssen would "undertake" to proceed with the plant subject to such assistance and once its formal submissions in the form of business plans are submitted - something it cannot do immediately.

Thyssen is counselling, and we concur, that to be most helpful, such a written statement be entered into, not only by myself, but also by Mr. de Cotret, in light of his responsibilities for defence industrial programming, and by Mr. Beatty.

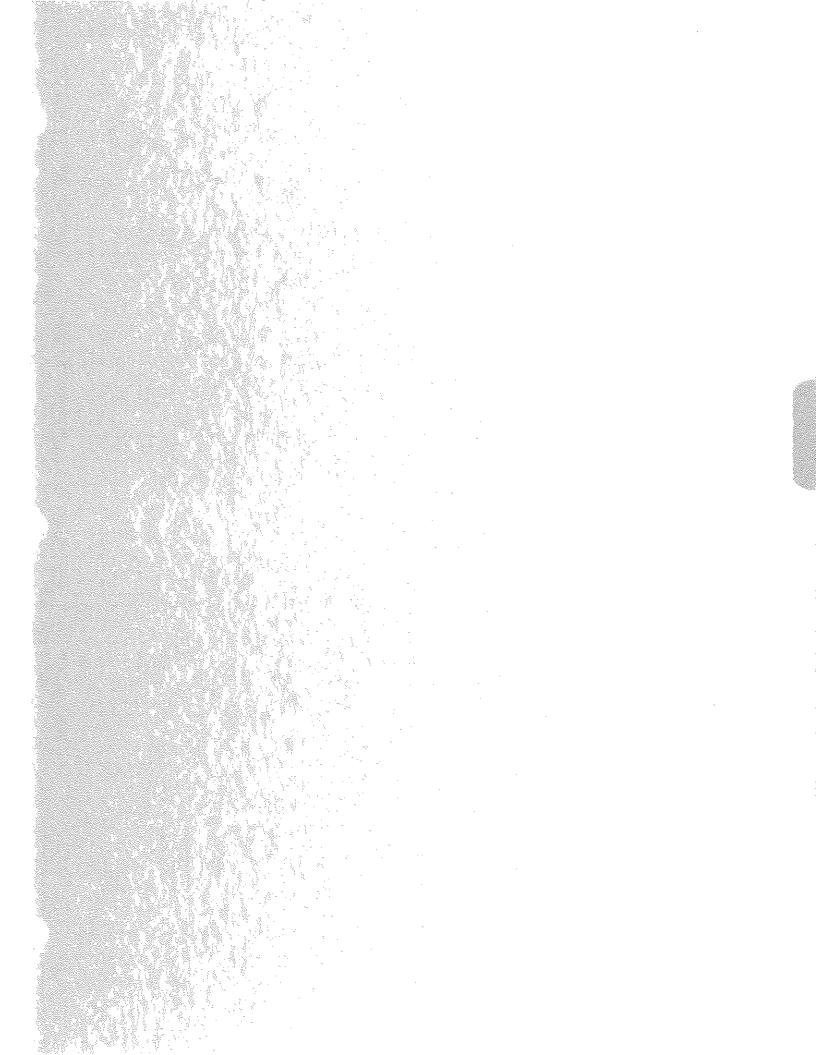
Don McPhail and his staff have met on several occasions lately with senior representatives from each of DRIE and DND. These departments have not been supportive of the Thyssen proposal, not the approach we have been pursuing, i.e. the statement of intent, which we have drafted. DRIE is concerned about existing capacity elswhere (GM); and both argue the approach adds little to the existing situation, and the company should proceed to develop in Cape Breton without it.

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To conclude, I am confident that Thyssen's proposal would benefit Canada and Cape Breton. While the Cape Breton heavy-industry facility would engage initially in defence production. Thyssen plans to pursue diversification into civilian production as soon as practicable. Moreover, the proposed statement of intent is entirely in accordance with existing Government policy, and does not involve a commitment by the Government Legarding upcoming defence projects. It is, of course, something that still has to be negotiated with the company, who will attempt to strengthen its terms. What I believe we must now have, however, is a kind of letter of intent - just as we had to have one, elbeit somewhat more binding but in many respects incomplete, in order to move Lavelin to the point of taking over Trenton, and in other cases where some preliminary stimulus was needed.

If the Bearhead project is to be brought to fruition, you may wish to share your views with our colleagues, Mr. de Cotret and Mr. Beatty, in order to solicit their support for this approach.

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#### MEMORANDUM

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TO:

The Honourable Lowell Murray

cc: Ross Reid

FROM:

D. S. McPhail

President-designate

Subject: Thyssen

Following a six-hour session today with Thyssen (Schreiber plus Gerry Doucet), we reached agreement on a document — an "understanding in principle", which effectively constitues what, in my judgement, both the company and the Government of Canada can bear: i.e., if signed in its existing form, Thyssen would start construction at once. Yet, it is indeed an imperfect document: it is no more than the record of understandings which precedes (and normally is not required as a precedent to) a formal "Memorandum of Understanding"; it binds neither the Government nor the Company in a manner which the other side would wish; and, if fully observed, it fails to guarantee that Thyssen will do more than construct a shed, largely with public funds, despite its longer-term intentions, which we judge to be bona fide.

Despite such general shortcomings, I now regard the project as a certain starter if we can live with the attached document. Its pro's and con's are the following:

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#### <u>Advantages</u>

- the company would proceed to build the facility; it would not, however, begin to employ production personnel until a firm contract for something is in hand;
- (2) the Government is protected both in the preceding situation - lack of contract - and in case of failure later of the company to begin production of commercial items;
- (3) any commitment by the DRIE Minister is a "normal" one eligibility for DIPP and eligibility for an IRDP-type grant: the former is not a problem, the latter would be (see below);
- the commitment of the DND Minister, which we explored at (4) length so there could be no misunderstanding, is contained single sourcing is not involved, and should not be in our opinion; but Thyssen is assured of participation in LAV procurement provided a certain number oftipulations they accept are met. The issue here is whether in this form a commitment to buy Thyssen is made; indeed a presumption of buying Thyssen is involved but not necessarily more than a token number of units if - in a situation of equal competition, others were equivalent to Thyssen in the various criteria (including regional development benefits). (The test of this of course, is whether other potential suppliers can be given the same conditional undertakings, and in our view this test can be passed). In short, the qualifications of the confirmation of Thyssen's eligibility "to participate" should be regarded in themselves as sufficient to condition the commitment, though DND will not see it this way.

#### <u>Disadvantages</u>

- (1) Any successful attempt to allege this approach is one involving "sole-sourcing" would damage Atlantic interests for LAV and other procurement.
- "enter ACOA" to the greater than \$20 million category: but this is not "bailout"; and the cost per job is relatively low, and the development aspects are good -- this means "changing mandates", but we can afford financially to do so. The Lavalin-Hawker Siddeley deal is a reverse precedent. If this point of principle is covered, the practical aspects, involving ACOA funding, are worthwhile.

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(3) The DND commitment is more complex. However, as posed above, the question is how much cushioning does DND need, or how much should they have. I consider they are fully protected and don't understand why they differ on this.

On balance, therefore, I think the deal inherent in this text should be concluded. It is a "good" deal. The text attached has not had full legal nor substantive vetting on either side, but the company will buy it, subject only to final review - i.e. it is ready either to sign subject to some chance for detailed review - the principles are acceptable - and we need some flexibility to do likewise. There is a climate of confidence, however, and an announcement of an agreement in principle is possible, subject to its "marketing" on three points:

- (1) PCO must acquiesce in the existing state of affairs: ACOA not DRIE, is now effectively handling greater than \$20 million non bail-out projects, because DRIE, having re-profiled its reference levels, has no money. If understood to involve new projects not bail outs, we could do this we will want more money but we'll survive in the short run.
- (2) much more important, DND must be brought to see their interests are protected in the language: sole-sourcing, "no"; "preferred position", yes. The other DND concerns are met.
- (3) DIST must simply confirm that it will play its role.

#### Tactics

It would be inadvisable to try to sign the document without more legal and substantive advice. Yet it must not be allowed to drop into an interdepartmental committee.

The best calculated risk is:

- (a) to get Ministerial approval at large (i.e. by Prime Ministerial direction) with a view to "legal vetting" next week, though we'll have to allow for some substantive change if absolutely warranted; and
- (b) to make an announcement at once that makes this a matter of record, bearing in mind there is a downside: we have been careful, not clever, to circumcribe the clinching point with Thyssen. Nevertheless, they have lately doggedly returned to the charge for some form of guarantee about participation in our LAV program if there is one; following GM of Canada's fight in the USA - with Canadian Government help - to prevent the earlier envisaged US sole sourcing of LAVS to Thyssen, and GM's offer to move its Windsor facility to the US if it could have the order instead. If made public in all its details, this arrangement could have negative input.

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As long as the Government accepts these risks, and a communications strategy is worked out accordingly, the situation should be manageable. The Nova Scotia Government must be involved in advance.

My colleagues in DIST and DND do not like the form of this arrangement, but it is needed to make the project go. Their specific objections are dealt with as I see it.

At the Ministerial level, there will be concern this is Atlantic sourcing; it is not. We have built penalties in if Thyssen does not proceed with civilian goods. It is not an exclusive arrangement. But it is a good regional development deal for Cape Breton.

D.S. McPhail

<u>DRAFT</u> July 15, 1988

#### UNDERSTANDING IN PRINCIPLE

This document signed this

day of July, 1988,

between:

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WHEREAS the Company is preparing financial details on its proposal, to meet the information requirements of the Government's established regional development capital contribution, and other assistance programs.

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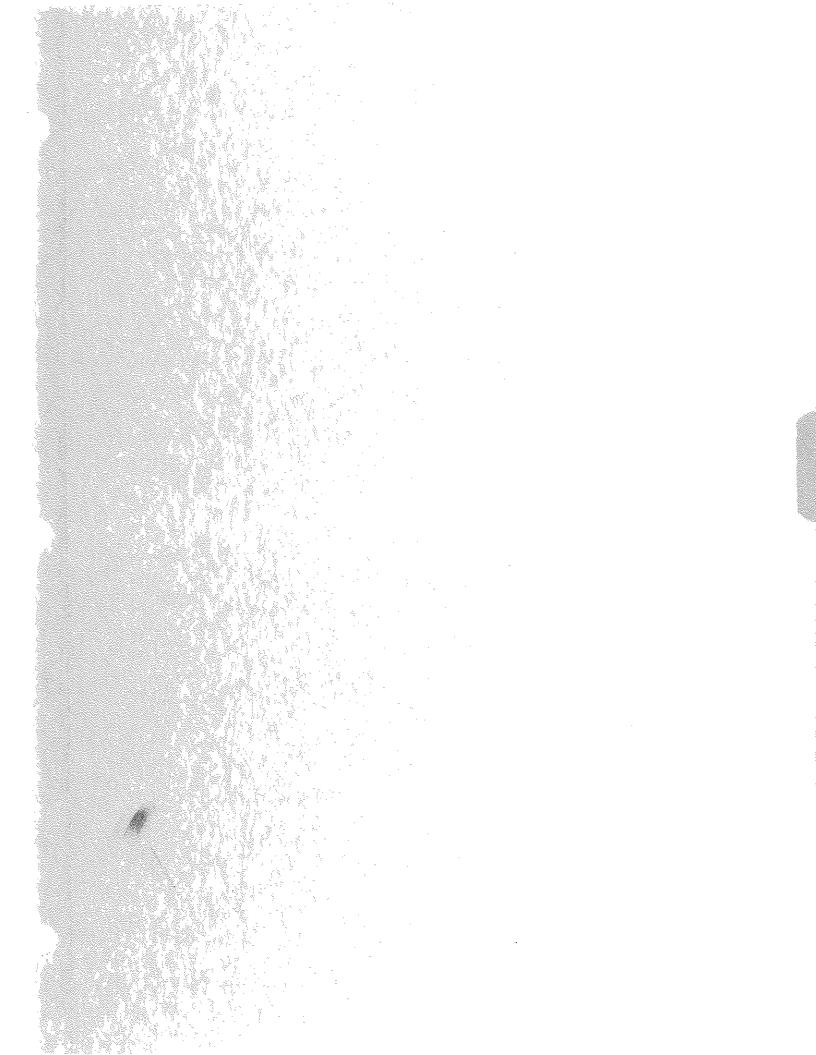
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#### The Thyssen Proposal

#### Recent Developments

- 1. We understand that at the Meech Lake F&F meeting, the Prime Minister asked Senator Murray to look at possible ways of assisting Thyseen in establishing a facility in Cape Graton. It is likely that this item will be raised at the P&F meeting on Tuesday, July 19, together with defence-related procurement proposals.
- While we have little information on this subject at the moment, we understand that ACOA officials have been looking at an economic devalopment package which would avoid commitment regarding LAVs as was contemplated under the earlier Thyssen proposal (see below), and would include DIPP assistance. ACOA apparently has drafted a letter of intent along those lines. DND and DRIE reportedly oppose this proposal as premature. (Thyssen has not yet developed a business plan which would not involve LAV procurement). We corrently have no information on funding parameters.

#### Background

- In May, we received a copy of a proposal submitted through ACOA by Bear Heed Industries Ltd. (UHI), an affiliate of Thyssen AC of Germany. Under this proposal Thyssen would have invested \$56M to create an industrial manufacuring complex at Bear Head, near Port Hawkesbury, Cape Breton, which reportedly would sustain a minimum of 500 jobs. Thyssen sought a range of assistance from the federal and Nova Scotia governments including, in particular, a federal commitment of 250 light armoured vehicles (LAVs) for production in 1991/92. A "firm agreement" was also sought for assistance from ACOA, DRIE/DIST programs, and other relevant programs. Further, Thyssen anticipated supplying BS defence requirements and, in fact, was to orient the plant to the US market.
- 4. The Thyssen proposal raised serious concerns. It apparently depended upon the LAV contract for which, we understood, the requirements had not yet been finalized, such less the method of selecting a supplier. DND was reportedly very strongly opposed to the proposal. Questions also arose as to the need and level of other government assistance. (More detailed information is attached).

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5. Conclusions on the latest Thyssen proposal, and the possible funding implications, cannot be drawn at this time, given the uncertain nature and incomplete information on the project and the assistance proposed for Thyssen. As indicated, the initial proposal submitted by Thyssen raised concerns, especially given that commitment for the LAY contract would be premature at this time. A definitive assessment of the merits of this project will only be possible once a firmer proposal is developed.

Economic Development Division July 18, 1988



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#### MEMORANDUM FOR MR. D. BURNEY

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#### Thyssen

You asked me to review the proposed Understanding in Principle with Thyssen.

I have the following comments:



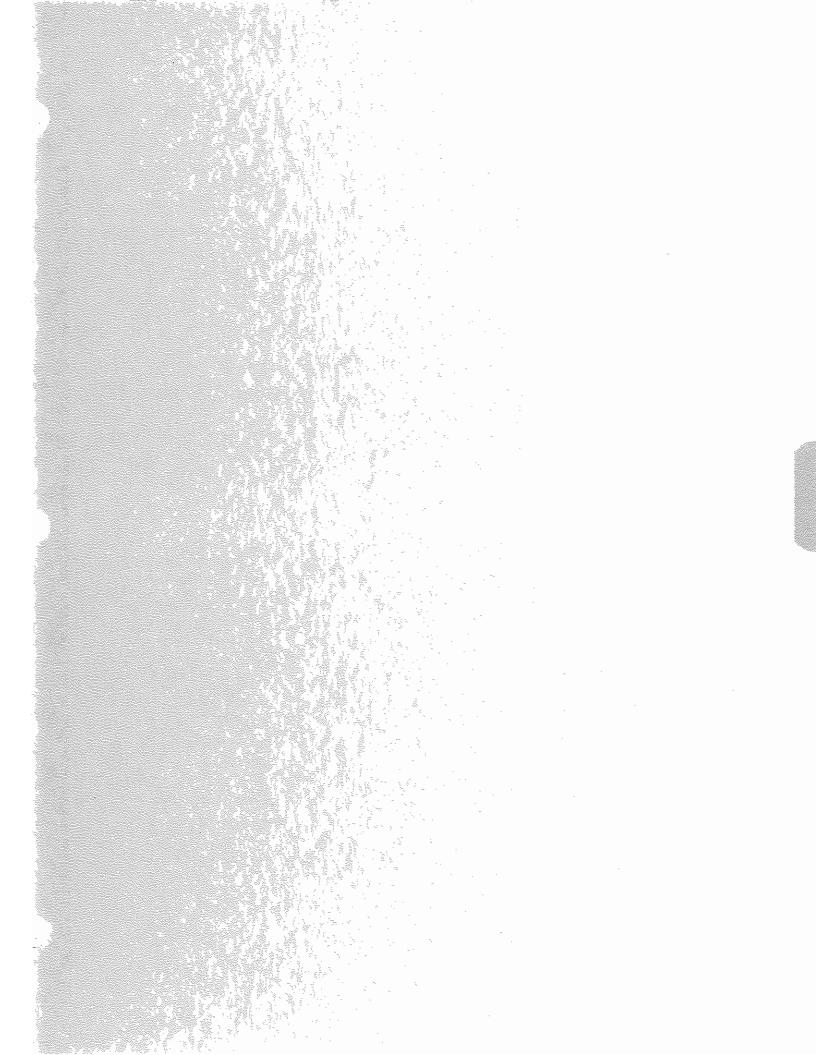
document. On that issue I cannot comment, without a review of, in particular, the powers of the Minister of DRIE. I would also be concerned. however, with the authority to agree to the clause that foresees Thyssen's participation in the LAV project.

Although it is not a strictly legal point, you may also want to consider the possible results of a review of the document, by the Auditor General. He will also be concerned with the issue of the authority of Ministers to enter into the proposed agreement. As well since there is likely no "audit trail" or an unusual "audit trial" given the process this proposal has followed, it may ultimately become a source of friction with the Auditor General's Office.



- As to clause 4(b)(ii) which refers to Thyssen participating in the LAV project, I do not believe there is any obligation to proceed with the project set out in the clause. However, clearly Thyssen is entitled under that clause, to participate in the project itself provided that it meets the qualifications set out in the clause. It is not clear to me from reading those qualifications that Thyssen if it were not successful in the tender process, would not be able to participate in the project. In other words the qualifications do not appear to require that Thyssen be the winner of whatever tender process is put in place for the LAV project.
- On a minor point, I note that clause 2(b) refers to the Government entertaining an application to the Minister of National Revenue. While the word entertain is normally sufficiently anodyne to. avoid problems, I note that in this case the application appears to have been made and is therefore by definition being entertained. The inclusion of a reference to entertaining such an application raises the implication that in this case, entertain has a somewhat stronger meaning.

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#### Conclusions of July 19 PAP Meeting

#### James Bay Road

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#### Royal Commission on Reproductive Technology

issue to be reviewed by smaller group of Ministers -- Mazankowski, Epp, Murray, McDougall, Hnatyshyn,

#### Conflict of Interest

- \* DPM to try to manage Caucus support for bill passing \*\* second reading.
- \* this progress would help PM to name Commissioners (in cooperation with Opposition Leaders) under the Inquiries Act.

#### Abortion

- Ministers may move with single resolution, at an early data --- but Caucus reaction critical,
- \* Issue will be reviewed by smaller group of Ministers before Caucus.

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Issue will only proceed when Crosbie and Wilson are onside.

#### Electricity Deregulation

- \* Ministers approval in principle but timing is a factor.
- " No announcement before 3rd week of August, and before prior agreement of PM, Crosbie, Wilson,

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#### Defence Produrement

- " Mr. Reatty's proposals were approved for:
  - TCCCs
  - Northern Terrain Vehicle, and
  - Wines Countermeasures
- \* Mr. Murray raised Tyssen project
  - many Winisters had sorious concerns:
    - uncertain of details
    - wanted better process
  - Senator Murray or his staff to organize meeting for full review of proposal, before it proceeds to the Committee

#### Farm Credit Corporation

- \* Agreement between Wiso and Wilson was ratified.
  - convert \$400 M. of FCC debt to government equity, etc.
  - continue to review
- ' Mr. Wise will announce in the House this week.

### Grain Wheat Prices

Mr. Mayer's proposed price increases were approved.

#### Annex Items

All 12 itams were approved but Amendments to Northern Inland Waters Act to await progress on Trade debate.

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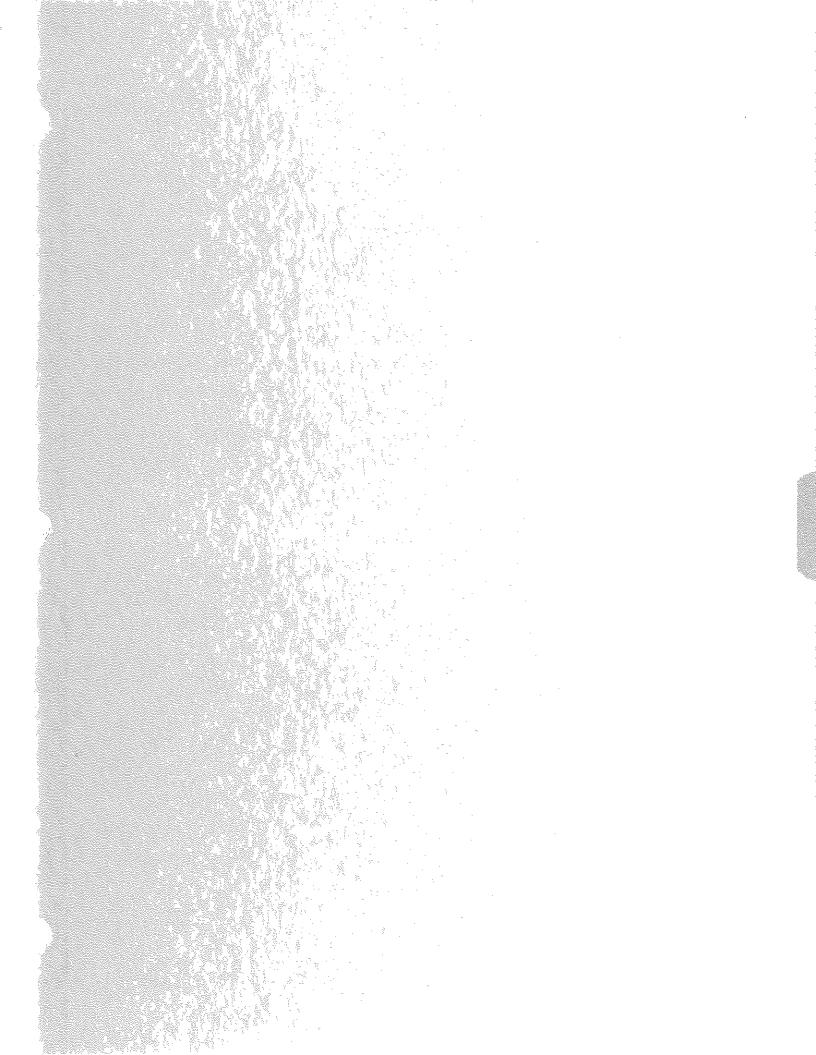
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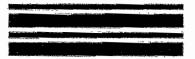
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SUBJECT THYSSEN: PCO POSITION

PCO is very firmly opposing the Thyssen issue.

Prior to the next discussion of Thyssen by Ministers, you may wish to ensure that support for Thyssen -- from the highest levels -- is in place and evident, so that Senator Murray may appropriately be characterized as "a" -- but not necessarily "the" -- proponent of the Thyssen proposal.

PCO is taking the position that the ad hoc meeting of Ministers scheduled to discuss Thyssen "has no mandate from P&P to reach a decision on Thyssen" and therefore represents only a preliminary discussion.

On substantive grounds, PCO is briefing that the Thyssen issue is not urgent; that the project is ill-conceived and at best, premature; that the project compromises the Government's procurement policy and process; that identification of exact sources of funding and likely program draws are lacking, etc.

PCO is feeling quite bruised on Thyssen because:

- on Monday, PCO was "forced" to rely on PMO to provide them with a copy of the "Understanding in Principle". (That is, ACOA officials were channelling information to the PM, without going through PCO or even providing PCO with a copy);
- in a similar way, PCO believes that the proposed Understanding in Principle is a legally-binding agreement between the Government of Canada and Thyssen, and accordingly should be guided -- by PCO -- through the formal Cabinet Committee process. PCO's view on this point is hardened when Ministers voice concerns as they did'yesterday, very briefly, at P&P.

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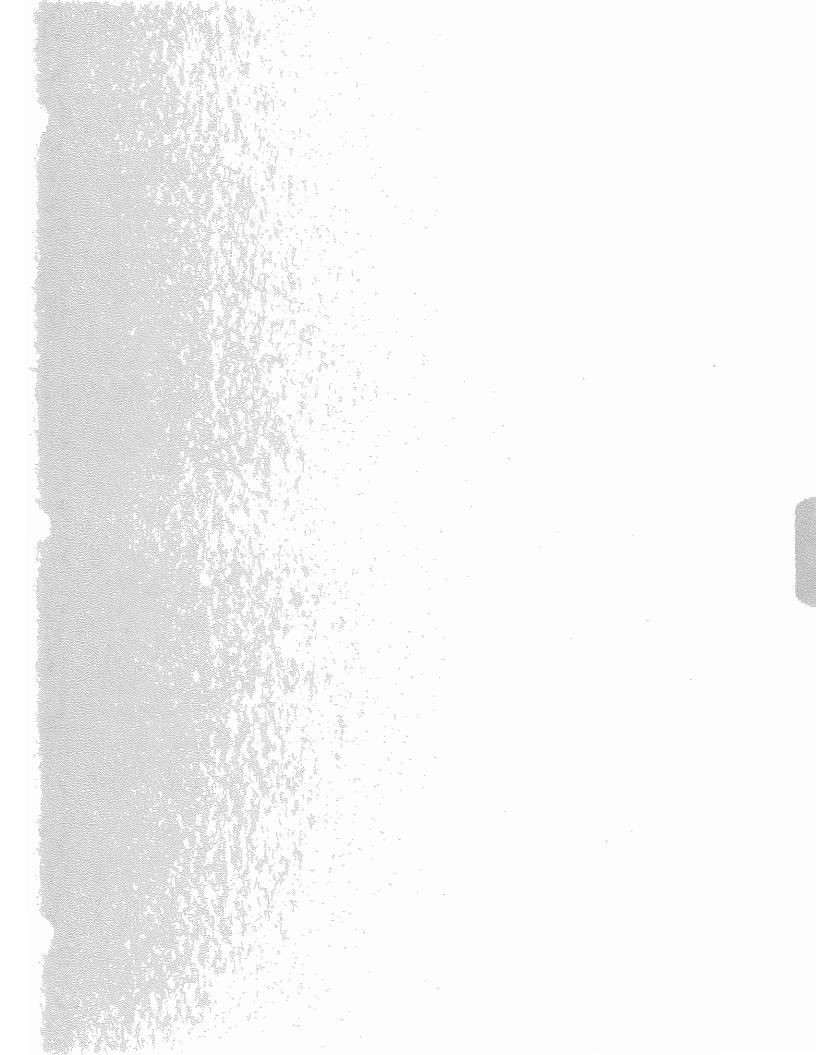
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#### THYSSEN: REVIEW OF DISCUSSION OF JULY 15. CHARLOTTETOWN

I have reviewed my notes, as you requested, to identify what undertaking -- if any -- Thyssen made to proceed in the absence of a Canadian LAV order.

Conclusion: Discussion was ambiguous. Nevertheless, Schreiber, echoed by Doucet, maintained throughout that an order, not necessarily the LAV order -- was essential in order to staff the facility.

I have attached a transcript of the key juncture in discussion.

The bracketed areas represent wording which, while not confirmed in my notes, has been added, from memory, to assist in the meaning and fluency of the passages concerned.

John McDowell

July 20, 1988

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Schreiber/Doucet/Alford leave and come back.

Doucet: Thyssen will not keep plant (open), employing 500

people ...

How about infrastructure costs (payback) if fewer than 400-500 people, and no DND order ... unfair to have company pay back funds with no DND order.

McPhail: Our assumption included (time would be required for) planning, design work, and so on.

> I've assumed that Phase I would not (take place immediately).

Doucet: (Thyssen) will put plant up.

McPhail: I'm not sure (that this is) as serious and complex

(as it appears);

I want to know, in what circumstances would Thyssen feel that they are not participating in the LAV

contract?

If in the judgement of the Government of Canada, cheaper (to purchase LAVs) elsewhere, I want to know

what Thyssen accepts.

Doucet: As long as (Thyssen) does not have to reimburse any

money (provided by) Government of Canada, can

interpret as we see fit.

McPhail: Unusual situation ... I'm prepared to have (this document) marketed, this document, taking out

offending phrase "conditional on ..." but paragraph

#7 (disclaimer) must stay in.

Schreiber: Okay.

Discussions veer off onto announcement/status of document/why it shouldn't be called an MOU/etc.

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#### THYSSEN CHARLOTTETOWN, PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND JULY 15, 1988

McPhail: Would you proceed with the plant with only the U.S. order?

Doucet: If "offensive"\* clause is not there, Karlheinz, and (assuming) the mid-early 1990s time frame (clause is added to the Statement of Intent) ...

With package deal, and with this clause (paragraph 4, the undertaking by the Minister of National Defence) which would be part, and understanding fully, that:

- this clause (paragraph 4) does not give an order yet,
- Governments don't always proceed with programs when announced,
- . (there is) no legal requirement i.e. cannot take the Government to court.

Will Thyssen agree to announce "yes", and proceed immediately to construct?

Schreiber: (We'll) sign document, (enter into) detailed negotiations, (proceed with) U.S. contract ...

... Our interest is , when I say I really don't know, ... offshore rigs, Hibernia ... environmental stuff, ... one year down the road.

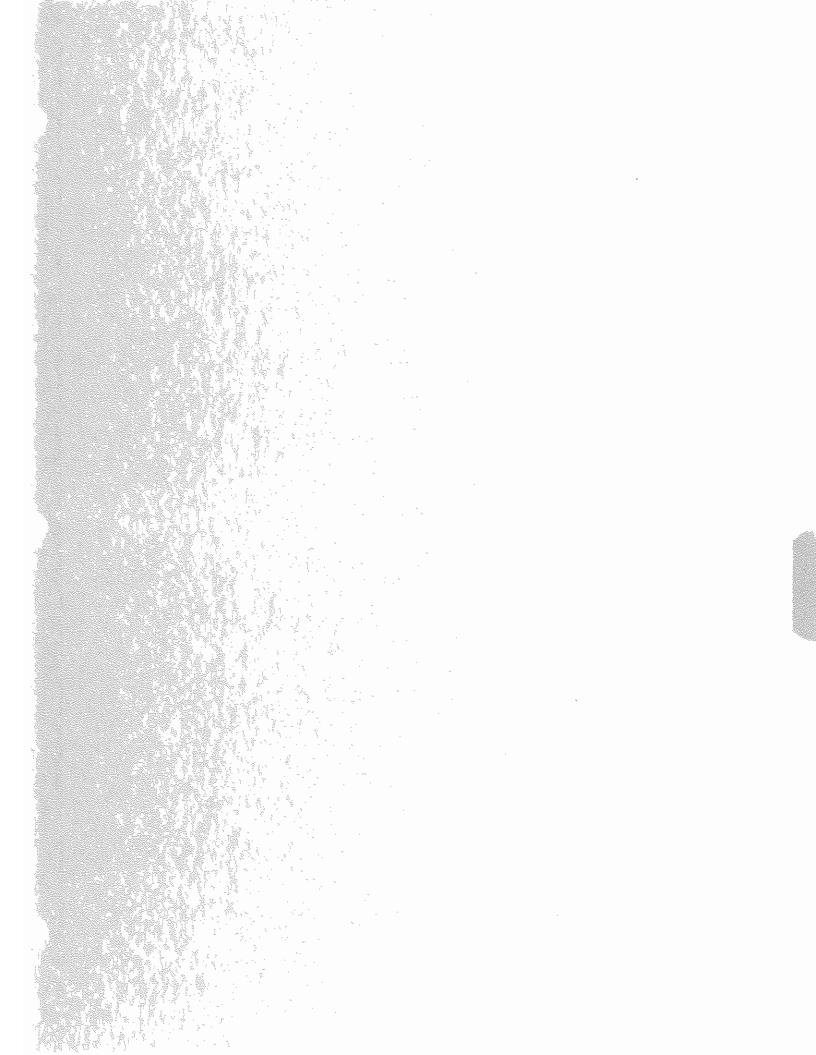
Doucet:

... Period of time required to satisfy ... infrastructure, and also discussions between Governments, (there will) be a period of months, between 2 and 4, I suggest.

At the end of that time, when the company is ready to proceed forthwith, will the company do it?

Schreiber: No ... one year away, but ...

\*Clause: "conditional on the terms of the major acquisition program."





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Given the Deputy Prime Minister's interest, I am writing to you regarding my intended course of action over the next few days, concerning the Bear Head heavy-industry facility planned for Cape Breton.

At this point, I would see Bear Head Industries announcing on Wednesday, September 28, its intention to proceed in Cape Breton.

In accordance with this schedule, I intend to submit the "Understanding in Principle" document to the company for their signature on Monday. Upon receipt of an affirmative response from Bear Head Industries, I will seek the required signatures of my colleagues.

while the location for this announcement has not been determined, and may well be Halifax, or even Ottawa, the announcement is to be low-key in nature and of primary interest to the business media.

For your information, I have attached a copy of the press release that is being drafted for use by the company. I have requested ACOA officials to circulate this draft press release among the key departments for their views. To date, the Department of National Defence has indicated that they have no difficulty. As other departments respond, the press release will of course be adjusted as required.

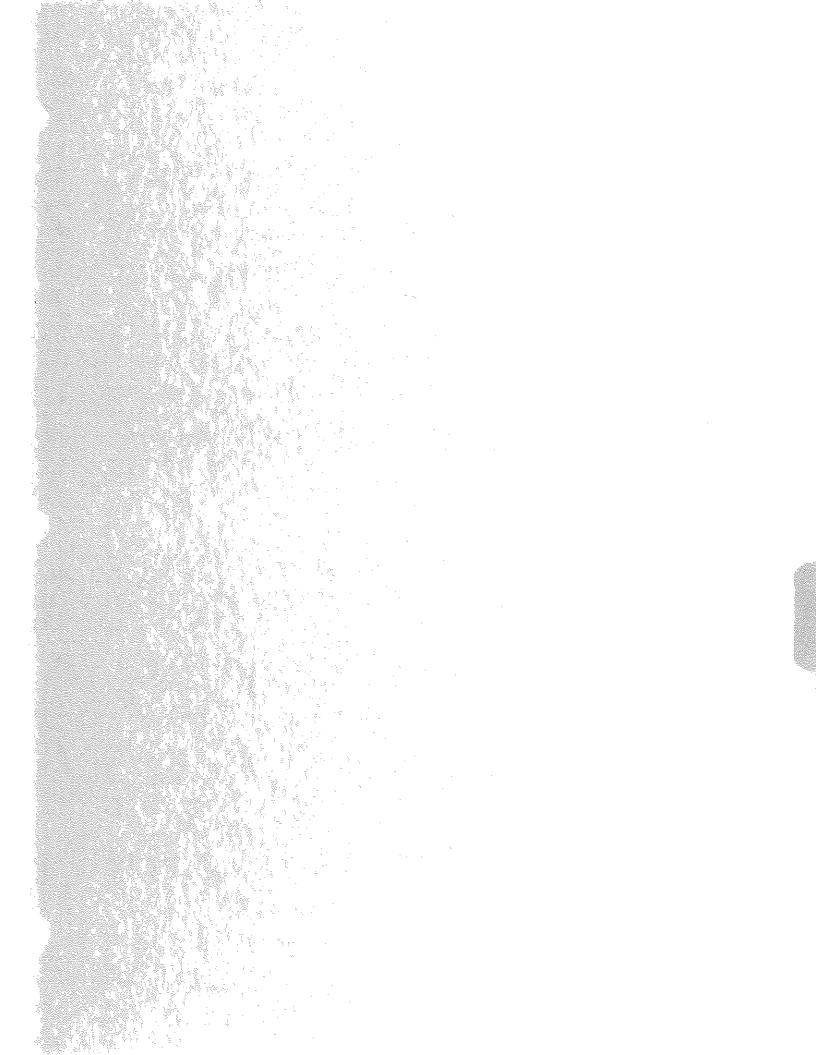
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The posture that will be adopted by the Government concerning the Bear Head announcement will be low-key. Our approach will simply be to point out that the company and the Government have been developing the heavy-industry proposal for some time, that the agreement reached so far is interim in nature, that the Government has made no commitment to the company concerning defence contracts or even funding, and that any decision by the Government concerning site establishment and other assistance will of course be depend on the receipt of a formal business plan and application from the company.

Lowell Murray

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PCO (Hurtubias) has just advised me of a recent development concerning the above.

Without knowledge of the content of Justice's August 4 legal opinion on the "Understanding in Principle", Derek Burney asked Paul Tellier to proceed as follows:

- if the Justice opinion indicates that no significant commitment on the part of the government would arise from the signing of the "Understanding in Principle" by the three Ministers, arrangements for signature should be made, or
- if the proposed Understanding in Principle is determined to be a legally-binding agreement between the Government of Canada and Thyssen, it should be modified to eliminate its binding nature, with a view to having Ministers sign the modified document.

ACOA. This she did in the knowledge (obtained from Bilodeau with whom I spoke on Friday and who is now on leave) that you would likely be seeing Senator Murray today and would be seeking direction from him on this file.

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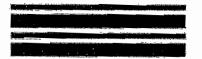
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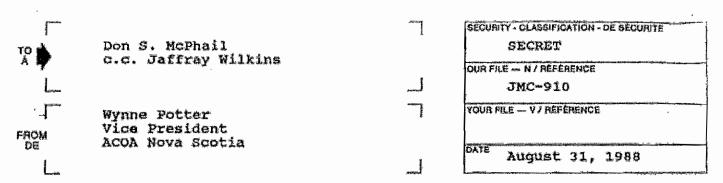
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### THYSSEN: DEPARTMENTAL CONCERNS

As you know, we met with representatives of DRIE, DND, Finance and Justice this afternoon. Specifically, departmental positions and concerns raised were the following:

### DRIE (Cliff Mackay)

Will recommend to Mr. de Cotret that he not sign. Position:

- need to priorize Nova Scotia requests for federal Concerns: funding -- e.g. Westray, Louisiana Pacific, Thyssen, especially since a political undertaking in support of the Westray project may have been made to the Province by Minister de Cotret/PMO;
  - lack of money in DRIE budget for assistance programs, including DIPP;
  - excess capacity (GM); and
  - further details (business plan) required on civilian diversification.

### DND (Ed Healey)

Will recommend to Minister Beatty that he not sign. Position:

- Thyssen proposal only one of several unsolicited Concerns: proposals, each of which DND would like to reject because they involve some degree of sole-sourcing or lowered competition;
  - source of funds, operational requirements for LAV project so far undefined;
  - uncertain regarding Thyssen's ability to meet DND's operational requirements.

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Politically: NTV sole sourcing in Calgary may have caused Ministers to be "gun shy" on directing military contracts; and

Mr. Beatty may have responsibilities as regional (Ontario/GM) Minister.

### Finance (Sheryl Kennedy, Director, Economic Development)

Position: Continued fundamental concerns beyond narrow legal issue.

Concerns: - source of funds, extent of draw on funding, so far, unknown;

- document is de facto binding -- represents "moral and political" commitment;
- Wilson Wishes priority setting for projects including Thyssen — within context of likely draws on DRIE/DND funding;
- communications/capacity (GM) worries; and
- lack of apparent commitment to civilian diversification by Thyssen, lead to worries regarding ongoing dependence on Government.

Politically: Mr. Wilson may have responsibilities as regional (Ontario/GM) Minister.

### Justice (Jacques Gauthier, A/General Counsel, Commercial)

Position: Document is contractually binding, but legal interpretation is that various undertakings are within mandates/authority of respective Ministers.

Concerns: - does not legally require Cabinet approval prior to signature:

"consider participation" preferred legally to "seek participation of"; and

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 each proposed phrase however, comprises a degree of commitment -- and risk -- between no commitment on the one hand and "shall ensure participation of" on the other hand.

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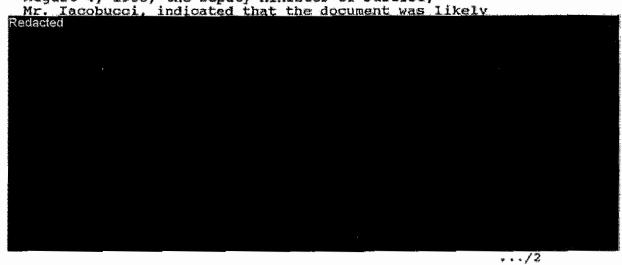
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Thyssen: Update, and Attached Letter

Please find attached for your signature, a brief letter to Mr. Karlheinz Schreiber, Chairman of Bear Head Industries (BHI), enclosing the "Understanding in Principle" document tabled during discussions last evening with Messrs. Doucet and Alford, representing BHI.

You will recall that Derek Burney instructed me to modify, if necessary, the "Understanding in Principle" — if the Department of Justice determined that the document was legally binding — so as to ensure that "no significant commitment on the part of the Government would arise from the signing of the "Understanding in Principle" by the three Ministers". Once this was completed, the signatures of each Minister were to be sought.

In presenting the departments's formal opinion on August 4, 1988, the Deputy Minister of Justice,



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I have clearly highlighted to the company this amendment in the "Understanding in Principle". Furthermore, I have advised the company that, at this stage, the document does not enjoy the support of the departments of National Defence, and Regional Industrial Expansion, but that a formal reaction from the Company to the Government — in preliminary acceptance of the arrangements contemplated by the "Understanding in Principle" — is required at this juncture.

You may wish therefore to sign the attached letter to Mr. Schreiber.

The remaining issue is to seek the signatures of Mr. Beatty and Mr. de Cotret.

You should be aware that -- although this was not the outcome of the July 27 meeting on Thyssen chaired by Mr. Mazankowski -- the Privy Council Office, for reasons of due process, is urging that the Thyssen initiative be discussed by Cabinet, prior to the signature of the document. You may wish to consider this option, if it is the most expedient course to ensure the necessary support of your colleagues.

Indeed, in light of Mr. Wilson's comments at yesterday's meeting of Operations Ministers concerning available funding, you may wish to support strongly the Thyssen project -- as first among the initiatives of Thyssen, Louisiana Pacific, and Westray -- in keeping with your mandate to "assume the responsibility for the coordination and overall planning of all federal activities contributing to economic growth in the Atlantic region", assigned you by the Prime Minister.

D.S. McPhail

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Dear Mr. Schreiber:

I am pleased to attach a copy of the proposed "Understanding in Principle" document, between the Government and Bearhead Industries, concerning your company's investment in a heavy-industry facility in Cape Breton, Nova Scotia.

I request that you review thoroughly the "Understanding in Principle" to determine whether it will assist you in reaching a positive decision to proceed in Cape Breton.

In my view, this document reflects our considerable progress, and our discussions over the past several months, including our meeting in Charlottetown on July 15th.

You will observe however that following a legal review, the proposed wording of the undertaking by the Minister of National Defence has been amended, to reflect more fully the Government's policy on procurement, and the statutory authority of the Minister.

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Mr. Karlheinz Schreiber
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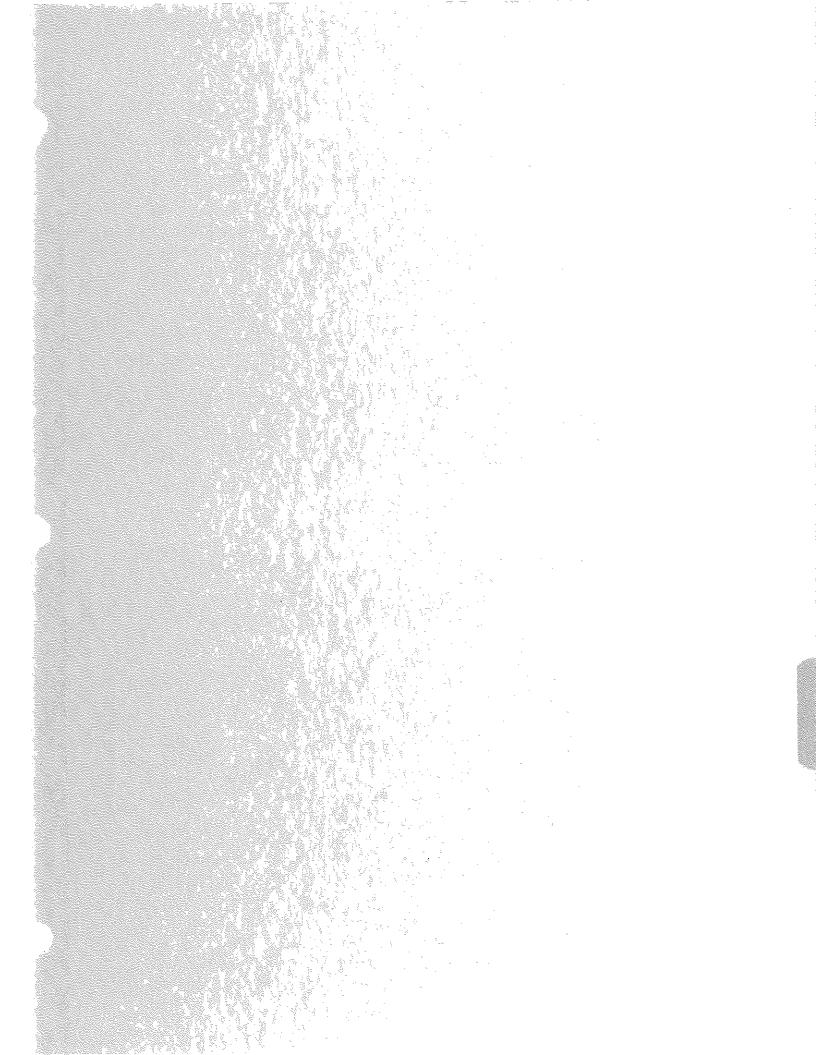
If you agree that the document, as written, is suitable to your requirements, and if signed by each party, will trigger your heavy-industry investment in Cape Breton, please let me know by noon, September 2, 1988.

Following a positive reply from you, I intend to submit the "Understanding in Principle" to my Ministerial colleagues for their signatures.

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A PROPOSAL BY BEAR HEAD INDUSTRIES TO ESTABLISH A HEAVY MANUFACTURING FACILITY IN CAPE BRETON

PROPOSITION DE LA BEAR HEAD INDUSTRIES POUR LA FABRICATION DE PRODUITS DE L'INDUSTRIE LOURDE AU CAP-BRETON

September 19, 1988

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PURPOSE: To develop an appropriate response by the Government of Canada to the proposal by Bear Head kndustries Limited, (a subsidiary of Thyssen) to extablish a heavy-industry manufacturing facility in Cake Braton, which would support the region's economic devalorment. devalopment.

PROPOSAL: Thyseen Industries AG, based in the Federal Republic of Germany, is one of the world's largest industrial manufacturing companies with annual sales exceeding \$20 billion, and 110,000 employees world wide. Of Thyseen's annual sales, less than St are in the defence sector.

In Canada, \Thyssen's holdings include:

Budd Canada Inc., Kitchener (automobile parts); Northern Elevator Holdings Itd., Toronto (elevators); Greening Donald Co. Itd., Hamilton (metal fabrication);

Thyssen Marathon Canada Ltd., Hississauga (steel importers); and

Thyssen Canada (Itd., Rexdale (steel importers).

In all, Thyssen employs some 3,000 Canadians.

In the U.S., the company has recently resolved an agreement with deneral Dynamics concerning technology sharing for the production of light armoured vehicles for the U.S. willtary, further increasing Thyesen's existing North American commitment.

In 1985, the then DRIE Minister during a visit to Germany, requested that Thyagen submit a proposal to establish a manufacturing fadility in Cape Breton. In March 1988, Thyssen submitted a revised proposal to the Government, through ACOA; to establish an \$85 million heavy-industry manufacturing fability at Bear Head, Cape Breton.

The initial capital cost of the facility would be 158 million, assisted by the facility would be provincial) government in accordance with existing programs and quidelines. A further 627 million for common-user infrastructure would be provided by the federal and the previncial governments. Thyssen would work closely in its production and subcontracting requirements with favalin (through the Frenton Works facility), possibly sysco (to source its steel requirements), and Krauss Marsel, is the latter is successful in supplying DND with main battle tanks. Formal undertakings in support of bigse work-sharing arrangements are in place.

Thyssen proposes to establish the Bear Head facility in two phases:

Phase I, the production of military vehicles for

the North American defence market; and phase ir diversification, within twelve months, into civilian production.

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The exact product mix, and markets, associated with Phase II are currently being discussed with Thyssen, and the company is preparing a formal business plan for Phase II. Thyssen has consistently maintained that Phase I is a necessary launching pad for ultimate diversification into civilian production, and the company is willing to commit to repay portions of dovernment funds received under Phase I, should Phase II not proceed.

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THE UNDERSTANDING IN PRINCIPLE: The attached Understanding in Principle is not a formal Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), but instead, has been prepared to set out the nature of discussions to date. This document is required to initiate a decision from Thyssen's Board of Directors to proceed in cape Scaton. To this end, it is desirable that this document be signed by the ACOA Minister, the DRIE Minister, and the DND Minister.

While the Understanding in Principle formally binds neither the Covernment nor Thyssen in a manner which the other side would wish, the company is cited to be considered for participation in the light armoured vehicle project (part of the Government's projected modernization of the Canadian Forces, envisaged by DND to proceed in the early-to-mid 1990s), provided the company meets the Covernment's technical, operational and industrial/regional benefits requirements.

since the Prime Minister's direction to Senator Murray in June 1987, to evaluate and report back on the Thyssen proposal, senior ACOA officials, in consultation with officials of DRIE, DND, and on occasion, PcO. Finance, Justice, and External Affairs, have met with Thyssen at length and developed further the company's heavy-industry proposal. Although Thyssen had originally sought a directed contract from the Government to provide DND with 250 LAVs in the early 1990s, the company has softened considerably its position, and is now willing to proceed with the heavy-industry facility on the basis of established government regional and industrial development assistance, and on the understanding that it will be considered for participation in the LAV program.

From the Government's perspective, the heavy-industry proposal for Cape Breton offers very considerable benefits, including technology transfer, to a particularly underdeveloped region of Canada. The Cape Breton plant would also pursue shared production and sourcing arrangements with Lavalia (at Tranton), and is ideally positioned to supply heavy-industry requirements of Hibernia.

At this point, Thyseen will commit to establishing a facility which would employ a minimum of 400 people. Employment is expected to grow considerably when diversification occurs.

STATUS: In order to report to the Prime Minister of the Thyssen proposal, the Prime Minister's Office and Senator Murray asked Acoa officials to take discussions

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with Thyssen to the point where the minimum undertakings required from the Government of danade to allow the project to proceed, would be determined.

Of September 12, senator Murray met with Mr. de Cotret to discuss the Thyssen proposal. Mr. de Cotret agreed to sign the Understanding in Frinciple, in recognition that to proceed, the Bear Head proposal required the document as an interim step, prior to the development of a folgal business plan.

Mr. de Cotret observed to Senetor Hurray that DRIE had some 600 projects seeking applications for financial assistance for which no DRIE funding was available. In this context, Hr. de Cotret stressed that the Government would have to develop a source of funds for projects talued in excess of \$20 million, and that, in the case of Thyssen, funds would have to be earmarked prior to Thyssen's submission of a business plan, and application for funding.

On September 14. Mr. Derek Burney chaired a meeting attended by Selator Murray and Mr. Beatty. Mr. Beatty agreed to mign the Understanding in Principle subject to further Ministerial discussion, as required, providing that:

- (1) the company be informed clearly that in signing the UIP, the Minister of National Defence was not binding the Government to proceed with the LAV project:
- (2) a letter be sent from the DND Minister to the ACOA Minister noting that in signing the Understanding in Principle, the Minister of Defence was not limiting his discretion to determine the timing of the LAV project, and to recommend a preferred bidder to Cabinet, and
- (3) communications of the inatiative be "low-key".

These conditions are entirely in accordance with the Thyssen proposal and Understanding in Principle. Efforts for their implementation are well underway.

DEPARTMENTAL POSTITIONS: The Department of External Affairs has no concerns regarding the Bear Head proposal, providing that its stated objective, defence-related production aimed at North American (or NATO) markets and in the long-term, diversification into civilian production, is realized. External Affairs would, however, be concerned, if, in the long-tun, with these markets, the Bear Head facility was not commercially-visble, and as a result, petitioned the Government to allow military exports into markets prohibited under Canada's export control policy. In this regard, External Affairs cautions that Thyssen's entry to U.S. military vehicle markets is by no means assured, because the U.S. Department of Defense has historically purchased its vehicle requirements almost exclusively from domestic sources.

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The Department of Finance is concerned that if Ministers sign the Understanding in Principle, the Government will be entering into a de facts commitment, and moreover, a commitment not supported by a business plan. Finance is also concerned that if Ministers wish to enter into such a commitment, that a source of funds, from existing resources, be identified.

The Department of Regional Industrial Expansion is concerned that within its reference levels, funding for major projects, including Thyssen, is unavailable. On industrial policy grounds, DRIE cannot support the establishment of the Thyssen facility because the Thyssen project would exacerbate existing excess capacity in Canada, in the heavy fabrication including the, military-vehicle sector.

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The Department of National Defence is preparing documentation to meet the requirements of the position adopted by Mr. Beatty in his discussions with Senator Murray and Mr. Burney of September 14, 1988, as summarized on page 5. Mr. Beatty has agreed to sign the Understanding im Principle, on the understanding that he is acting in accordance with his commitment to the Minister of Finance, concerning the funding of future defence projects.

TEING: Thyssen must establish shortly a manufacturing facility in North America to be in a position to win in conjunction with its partner, General Dynamics — a position of an upcoming U.S. Department of Defence procurement of armoured vehicles, valued at about \$750 million (U.S.). Moreover, the U.S. government plans to proceed with a massive procurement of armoured vehicles, valued at some \$200 billion, for which thyseen, at Bear Head, would be eligible to compete, under the Canada-U.S. Defence Production Sharing Agreement.

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From the Government's perspective, the Thyssen proposal has been developing for some time. Given-the-timing of the-U.S. project. If Hinisters wish to support the establishment of the heavy-industry facility at Bear Head, a decision to proceed further will have to be

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: Thyssen is not applying for government assistance at this juncture, and any such application cannot proceed without a formal business plan. Moreover, in the absence of a pusiness plan for both Phase I and Phase II, the ultimate draw on (and profile of) government funding, arising from the Bear Head project, is very difficult to determine.

However, should the Bear Head project proceed as envisaged, including Phase I and Phase II, federal Government assistance could be as high as 450 million, over at least three years, beginning in 1984 so. The province of Nova Scotia, in addition to land, would provide a further 58 million, as its share of the common user infrastructure.

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A source of funds for the federal assistance has not been identified, and must be developed prior to Thyssen's submission of a formal business plan and application for funding.

It will be necessary to agree with the Government of Nove Scotia to augment the approximately \$11 million in funds durrently available in the Strait of Canso Industrial Development Agreement, which be used as an instrument and a partial source of funds to provide the infrastructure assistance. This funding would come from the Atlantic Cooperation (EDA) funds notionally set aside.

Funding under the Defence Industry Productivity Program (DIPP), which historically has not been a particularly active program in Atlantic Canada, is not available within existing DRIB reference levels. Further, Atlantic Enterphise Program funding, delivered by DRIE, is also not available within existing DRIE reference levels.

Additional funding for this project must eventually be considered within the broader issue of how -- following the expiration of the IRDF -- the Government is to provide assistance to industrial projects in Atlantic canada, valued at greater than the \$20 million ceiling for ACOA participation

evolution of the Thyssen Proposal: Since Thyssen's original request in 1985, the Federal Republic of Germany has revised its symments exports policy to allow for specific arms exports from Germany to the Middle East. Accordingly, the current proposal by thyssen is entirely independent of domestic German exports policy.

RELATED ISSUES: In the course of responding to the Thyssen proposal; Ministers may wish to weigh the following considerations:

Suitability of the Thyssen vehicle for DND: The operational and technical requirements for the LAV vehicle must be determined solely by DND, and, as noted in the Understanding in Principle, Thyssen will be required — as will other potential contractors — to satisfy fully these operational requirements prior to being considered for participation in the LAV project foreseen for the early-to-mid 1990s. While Thyssen has consistently maintained that it will be able to meet DND requirements, DND officials observe that Thyssen does not currently manufacture a vehicle which meets the operational requirements envisaged for the LAV project.

Support of the covernment of Nova Scotia: Thyseen has already entered into an agreement with the Government of Nova Scotia regarding the provision of land, and provincial site establishment assistance.

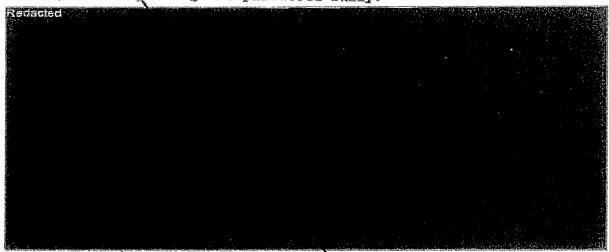
Creation of additional Canadian military vehicle production capacity: While there is no question that the Bear Read heavy-industry facility would add to Canada's existing industrial capacity in this sector.

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now comprising primarily the GM plant in London, Ontario, (and also potentially including FMC, Canadian Foremost, lavalin, Bombardier, and so on) the proposed atrangement with Thyssen for participation in the LAV contract would not exclude others — including GM — from participating as well. Moreover, when diversification into civilian production occurs, the Bear Head facility would contribute greatly to the industrial base of Atlantic Canada, and create a facility capable of competing for military vehicle contracts — and in other civilian markets — in the U.S. On the contrary, in order to establish an Atlantic facility, GM, so far, had sought directed, sols—source, with little of the regional or other industrial diversification benefits of the Thyssen proposal.

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Consistency of the "Understanding in Principle" and the Government's procurement policy: The Government would stress from the beginning that while Bear Head would be considered for participation in the LAV contract, the proposed Arrangements in no way constitute sole sourcing, for quaranteed participation, and that the fundamental principles of operational requirements and compatitive pricing are protected fully.



<u>MEXT STEPS</u>: Should Ministers wish to contemplate a regional development proposal of this kind, the following course of action could be pursued:

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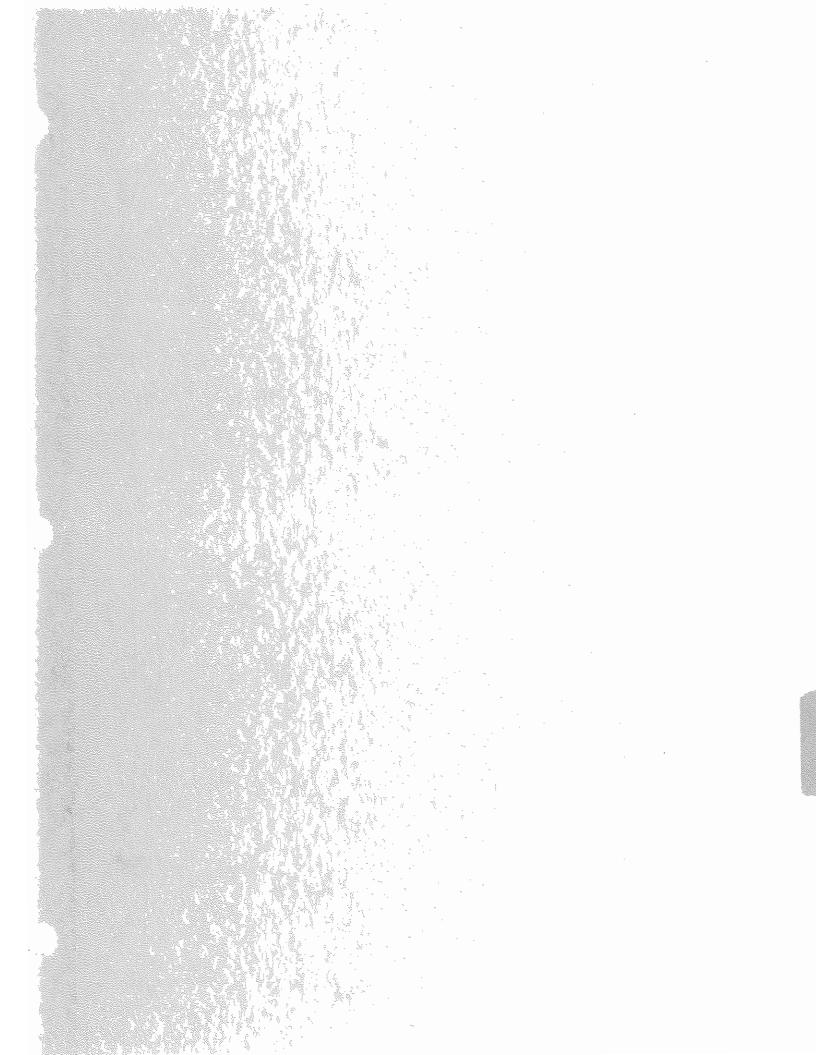
- immediate finalization of the Understanding in Principle; and
- agreement on, and signature of, the Understanding in Principle by involved Ministers.

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- formal, detailed negotiations between key federal departments (ACOA, DRIE, DND, Supply and Services) and the company to devalop fully a corporate business plan and assistance package;
- concluding negotiations between the federal Government and the Government of Nova Scotia on the common-user infrastructure arrangements;
- preparation of a formal Kemorandum of Understanding between the Government of Canada and Bear Head Industries Ltd.
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- the signing of a formal contractual, legally-binding agreement between Bear Wead and the Government.







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Dear Colleague:

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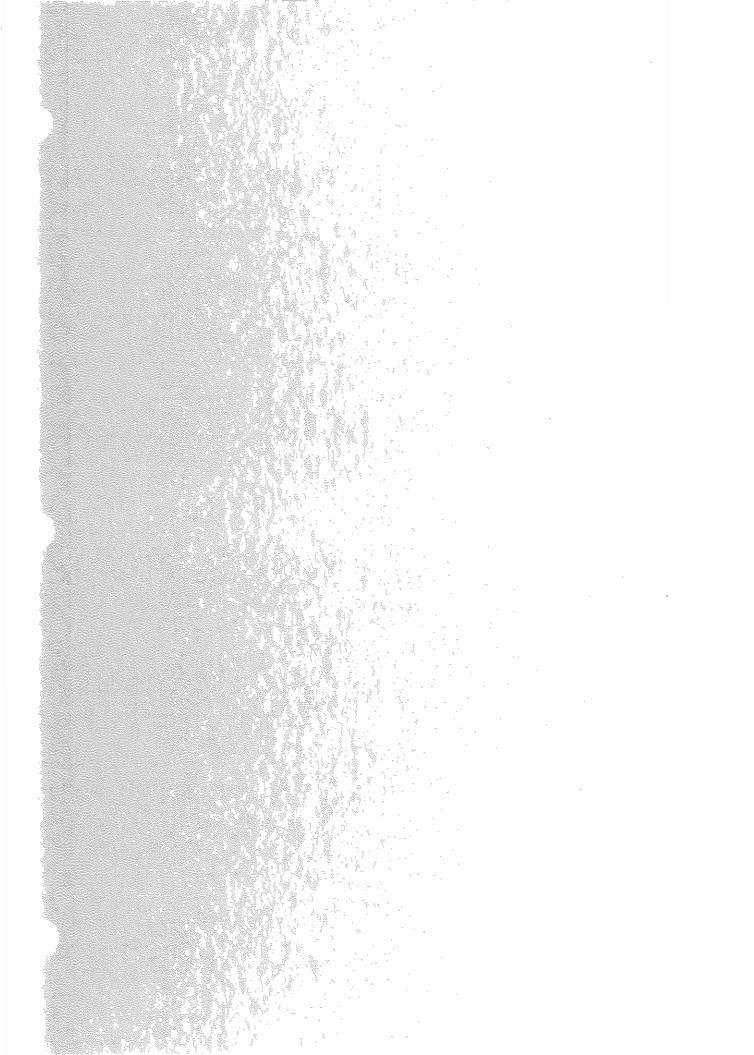
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Senator Murray called this afternoon to seek further information on Thyssen, prior to placing a phone call to each of Mssrs. de Cotret and Beatty to urge that they sign the Understanding in Principle.

Specifically, the Senator sought:

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- confirmation on DRIE's position, reflected in the 1) September 2 letter from Cliff Mackay to Wynne Potters
- 2) further enlightenment on DND's position, which I relayed, based on the views Mr. Healey had expressed to Wynne Potter on August 31.

The Senator also asked whether -- in the event that he was unsuccessful in persuading his colleagues to sign -- we could be ready to go to Cabinet, and in particular P&P next Tuesday.

You may wish therefore to get in touch with the Minister to determine the outcome of his discussions, and if necessary, to initiate the preparation of further documentation.

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#### MEMORANDUM

September 23, 1988

TO:

The Honourable Lowell Murray

TROM:

Don S. McPhail

SUBJECT:

Letter to Bear Head Industries attaching

"Understanding in Principle"

Please find attached for your signature a letter to Mr. Karlheinz Schreiber, Chairman of Bear Head Industries Limited, formally transmitting the Understanding in Principle from the Government to the company for signature. As the letter indicates, following signature by the company, the Understanding in Principle will be returned to you so that you may seek the necessary signatures of your colleagues.

As you may recall during your meeting with Mr. Beatty and Mr. Burney on September 14, Mr. Beatty insisted, as a precondition to signing, that the company be informed that the Understanding in Principle in no way compromise the ability of the Minister of Defence to recommend to Cabinet, a preferred bidder for the IAV project. Accordingly, in order to satisfy the request of their Minister, the Department of National Defence has inserted the second sentence, paragraph 3, page 2.

In addition, this letter has been reviewed by the Department of Justice to ensure its legal appropriateness, and the minor amendments suggested by Justice have been incorporated.

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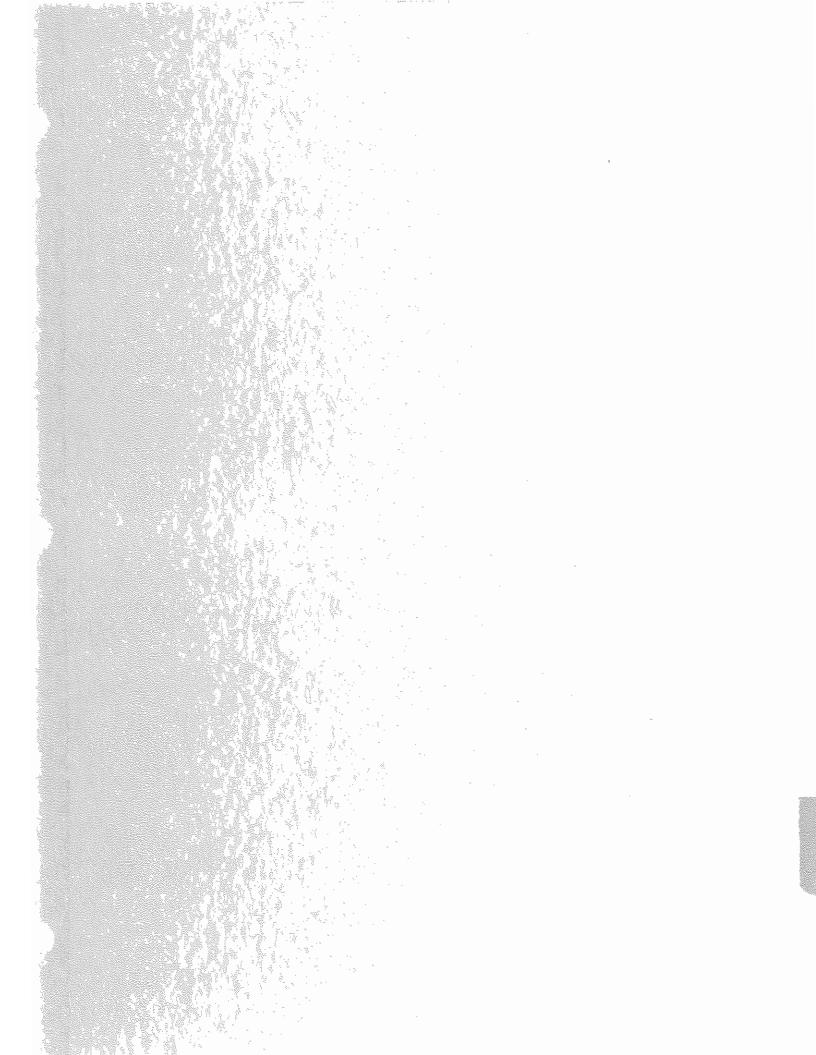
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Leader of the Government in the Senate and Minister of State for Federal-Provincial Relations

Leader du gouverriement au Sénat et Ministre d'Etat aux Relations fédérales provinciales

23 September 1988

Dear Mr. Schreiber:

On behalf of the Government of Canada, I am pleased to acknowledge your proposal, submitted to the Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency in March 1988, to establish a diversified heavy-industry facility in Cape Breton, Nova Scotia.

The Government considers that the Bear Head facility will make a very significant contribution to the long-run economic strength and diversity of Canada, and in particular, Cape Breton.

For your consideration, I am attaching a document entitled "Understanding in Principle", which I understand has been supported in discussions with you as an appropriate interim Vehicle to advance the Bear Head initiative.

You will observe that the "Understanding in Principle" is to be signed, on behalf of the Government of Canada, by the Minister responsible for the Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency, the Minister of Regional Industrial Expansion, and the Minister of National Defence.

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Mr. Karlheinz Schreiber Chairman Bear Head Industries Limited Suite 908 - 350 Sparks Street Ottawa, Ontario KIR 758

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I believe that we have made quite considerable progress to this point, and I consider that this progress has been incorporated into the "Understanding In Principle".

The Government has reflected upon this document at some length, and in particular, has focused its attention upon the manner in which it addresses your Company's request for involvement in future Canadian produrement contracts, should the Bear Head heavy-industry facility be established.

In this regard, it is the Government's view that the "Understanding in Principle" reflects, to the maximum extent, your request, in keeping with the Government's established procurement policy, and programming guidelines. I would emphasize that the Government of Canada, in so signing, can not, and does not, thereby commit itself to any military, or other, procurement projects with which you may have a present interest.

Moreover, while I am mindful of the difficulties you are experiencing in preparing exact financial details on your proposal, this information will, of course, be required in order to evaluate a formal application by Bear Head Industries, for assistance, under the Government's regional development, and other programs.

Having stated these points however, I trust that this document will prove successful in facilitating your investment in the Cape Breton heavy-manufacturing plant. I would ask you to signal your intention to proceed further, by signing both copies and returning them to me, by September 26, 1988.

Upon receipt of an affirmative response from Bear Head Industries, I will seek to obtain the required signatures of my colleagues.

Once all signatures are in place, a signed original will be provided to you.

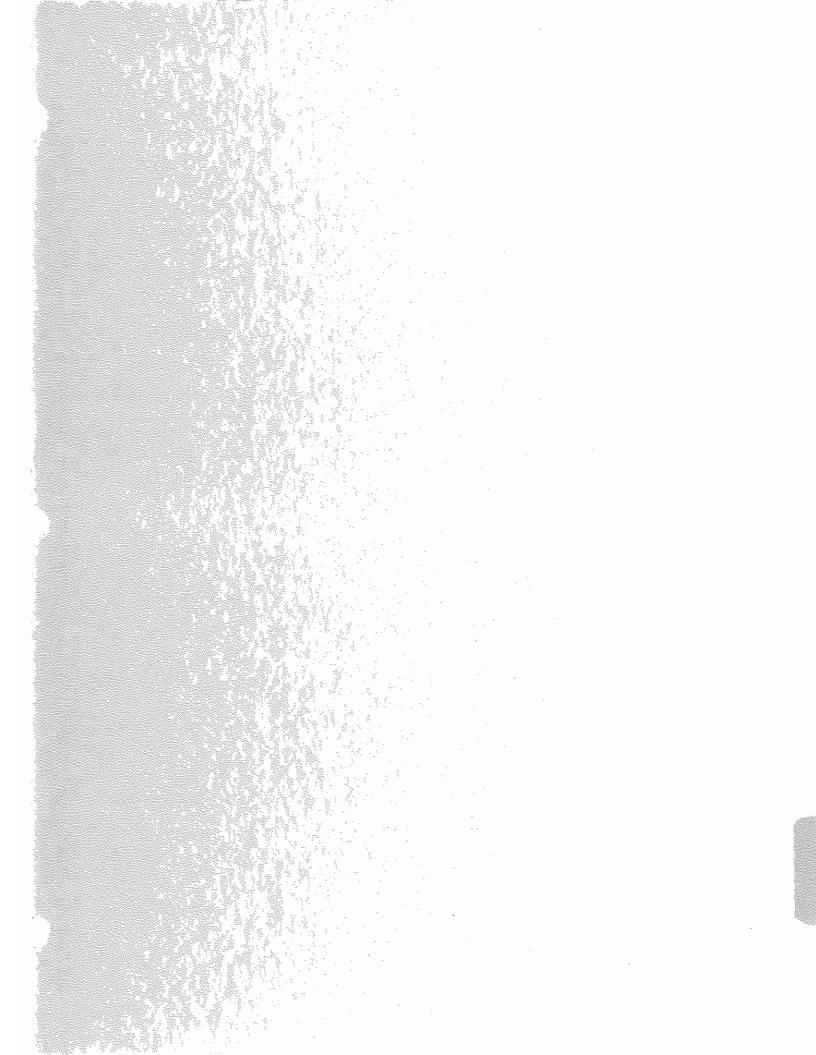
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### THYSSEN: SEPTEMBER 25TH MERTING

During the evening of September 25th, I met with Mr. Karlheinz Schreiber, Bear Head Industries Ltd., and Mr. Greg Alford, Government Consultants International, to deliver the proposed Understanding in Principle (UIP) from the Government to Bear Head Industries.

After a brief discussion, Mr. Schreiber signed the UIP. He observed that the covering letter of September 23th from Senator Murray (attached) was the first formal communication from the Government to Bear Head Industries. Mr. Schreiber stressed that the UIP, when signed by all parties, meant that Thyssen Industries would come to Canada, and that the document itself would be very helpful in initiating the release of funding for the Cape Breton plant from the Thyssen Board of Directors.

Mr. Schreiber read the letter from Senator Murray with considerable care. Mr. Alford pointed out that paragraph 3, page 2 was effectively a disclaimer because it indicated that in offering the UIP for signature the Government was not necessarily committing to proceed with the LAV project.

I observed to Mr. Schreiber that the UIP to be signed was identical to the version for which he had earlier indicated support, except that paragraph 4(a)(iii) now called for the company to submit its business plan by October 21, instead of September 15, the deadline in the earlier version.

Mr. Schreiber understood this minor amendment and indicated that Bear Head Industries would work towards this date.

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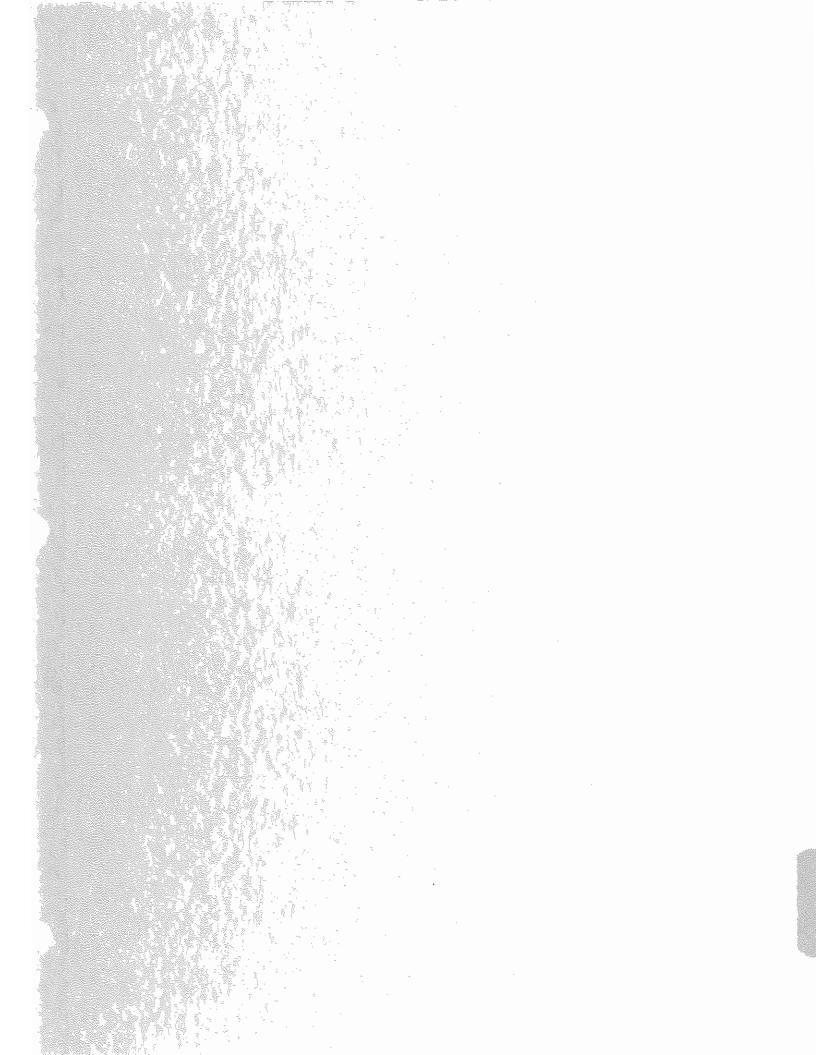
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## UNDERSTANDING IN PRINCIPLE

This document signed this \$\mathcal{I}\$ day of September, 1988, between:

THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA, as represented by:

- the Minister responsible for the Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency (hereinafter called "the ACOA Minister"),
- ii) the Minister of Regional Industrial Expansion (hereinafter called "the DRIE Minister"), and
- iii) the Minister of National Defence (hereinafter called "the National Defence Minister); and

BEAR HEAD INDUSTRIES LTD., a company incorporated under the laws of Nova Scotia, a subsidiary which is one hundred (100%) percent owned by Thyssen Industries A.G. of the Federal Republic of Germany (hereinafter called "the Company").

WHEREAS the Government of Canada desires to foster the economic expansion and industrial development of Cape Breton;

WHEREAS the Company must have in place a North American heavy-industry manufacturing facility on an urgent basis, and desires to establish such a facility in the Bear Head peninsula region of Cape Breton;

WHEREAS the Government of Canada recognizes that the proposed Bear Head facility represents an important economic development and diversification of the industrial base of Cape Breton; and

WHEREAS the Company is preparing financial details on its proposal, to meet the information requirements of the Government's established regional development capital contribution, and other assistance programs.

- 1. In accordance with this Understanding in Principle, the Company shall establish a diversified heavy-industry manufacturing facility in the Bear Head region of Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, which will:
- (a) create in Cape Breton a new and diversified activity in the Canadian civilian and defence industrial base, with access to the North American defence markets, under the Canada U.S. Defence Production Sharing Agreement;
- (b) transfer to the facility, all technology necessary for the construction of light armoured vehicles, and other heavy-industry products;
- (c) source its requirements co-operatively from, and implement arrangements for joint-venture activities with, the Lavalin (UTDC) heavy-industry facility, in Trenton, Nova Scotia, in accordance with existing agreements between the Company and Lavalin;
- (d) to the greatest extent possible, source its requirements from, and promote the establishment of, small business enterprises located in Atlantic Canada;

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- (f) employ a minimum of 500 people on a permanent, full-time basis and, where necessary, train these individuals in required skills and knowledge, utilizing, where appropriate, local educational facilities.
- 2. In accordance with this Understanding in Principle, the Government of Canada, in order to facilitate the establishment of the Company's heavy-industry manufacturing activity in Cape Breton, will:

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(a) enter into negotiations with the Province of Nova Scotia.

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and to use the Strait of Canso Industrial Development Subagreement as a source of funding;

- (b) entertain an application by the Company to the Minister of National Revenue for assistance based on eligible project costs up to a maximum of \$68 million, under the provisions of the Cape Breton Investment Tax Credit, in accordance with the formal application for such assistance filed by the Company prior to June 30, 1988;
- (c) entertain an application by the Company to the Minister of National Revenue for duty remission on the importation of machinery, parts, and components for the manufacturing of vehicles, under the Machinery and Equipment Tariff Program, consistent with this program at the time of such importation; and
- (d) entertain an application by the Company to the Minister of Employment and Immigration for government participatory funding, for initial employee training.
- 3. In recognition of the need to proceed urgently, the Government of Canada and the Company agree to adopt a two-phased approach to the establishment of the Bear . Head facility.

## PHASE I

4. The Government of Canada and Company agree that in Phase I, the respective parties will undertake the following:

## (a) the Company:

(i) the Company will proceed forthwith with the construction of an initial plant, as described in the document submitted to ACOA in March 1988, requiring an initial capital investment of \$58 million, to manufacture defence products for the North American markets;

(ii) the Company will have submitted a formal application to Enterprise Cape Breton, in advance of June 30, 1988, seeking assistance under the Cape Breton Investment Tax Credit (CBITC); and

(iii) the Company will provide by October 21, 1988, financial and other details associated with Phase I, and, in the shortest time possible thereafter, the remaining information required in order to qualify for assistance under the Defence Industries Productivity Program (DIPP), and other government assistance programs, under which funding is sought.

## (b) the Government of Canada:

- (i) the ACOA Minister, and the DRIE Minister, will consider assistance to the Company, up to a maximum of fifty (50) percent of eligible project costs, under programs delivered by Enterprise Cape Breton, consistent with these programs at the time the Bear Head project becomes eligible for such assistance.
- (ii) The Minister of National Defence, in recognition of the excellent international reputation for quality and performance earned by Thyssen Industries A.G. in the military vehicle sector, and in the context of the major acquisition program for the upgrading of the Canadian Porces envisaged in the Defence White Paper, will consider the participation of the Company in the Light Armoured Vehicle Procurement Program, envisaged to occur in the early-to-mid 1990's, provided the Company:
- (a) develops, designs, and manufactures, in its Cape Breton facility, these a vehicles from its entire technology range according to the operational requirements of the Government of Canada,
  - (b) meets the Covernment's requirements for quality, delivery, and logistic support, including personnel training,
  - (c) delivers and performs at internationally competitive prices, and
  - (d) provides acceptable regional and industrial benefits; and

(iii) the DRIE Minister will consider capital establishment assistance to the Company, under the Defence Industries Productivity Program (DIPP), consistent with this program at the time the Bear Head project becomes eligible for such assistance.

## PHASE II

5. The Government of Canada and Company further agree that in Phase II, the respective parties will undertake the following:

## (a) the Company:

- (i) the Company will proceed not later than twelve (12) months after the commencement of production under Phase I, with diversification into heavy civilian manufacturing production targeted at Canadian and international markets:
- (ii) the Company will provide within six (6) months after the commencement of production under Phase I, financial details including product and market projections associated with Phase II; and
- (iii) should Phase II not be proceeded with, the Company will reimburse the Government of Canada for:
  - (1) assistance as is provided by the ACOA and DRIE Ministers under paragraph 4 b(i) above, and
  - (2) a portion, to be determined in subsequent negotiations, of the infrastructure assistance provided under paragraph 2 (a) above, in the event that the planned employment level of 400 people for Phase I is not sustained for 5 years.

## (b) the Government of Canada:

the ACOA Minister, and the DRIE Minister, will consider assistance to the Company, under established regional and industrial development programming, consistent with such programs at the time the Bear Head project becomes eligible for such assistance.

6. This Understanding in Principle may be complemented by future Memoranda of Understanding.

- 7. The understandings in principle set out in this Understanding in Principle do not create any enforceable, legal or equitable rights, nor obligations, but merely serve to document the:
  - (a) parameters that have been set; and
- (b) areas on which discussions have been held, and understandings in principle reached.

Further clarifying negotiations and the requisite approval from all appropriate parties (including without limiting the foregoing, Treasury Board, and the Board of Directors of Bear Head Industries Ltd.) are needed before contractual documentation can be entered into.

THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA

Minister responsible for the Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency

Minister of Regional Industrial

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BEAR HEAD INDUSTRIES LIMITED

Wr. Karzneinz Schreiber, Chairman

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Mr. G.A. Panpples President and General Manager General Motors of Canada Limited 215 William Street East Cahava, Ontario

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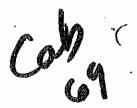
My dear Colleague:

It was with great concern that I recently learned of your letter of October 20th to Mr. George Peapples, President of General Motors Canada (GM), which states your intention to recommend to Cabinet that GM be selected as the contractor for the upcoming \$175 million militia-vehicle contract. While of course, as your lether points out, such a contract award will require thorough condideration by Cabinet, I am disturbed that you proceeded in your arrangements with GM, without advance consultation with me, and our Atlantic colleagues, despite previous concerns of an Atlantic nature associated with the militia contract, expressed to you by my predecessor the Honourable Lowell Murray.

As you will recall following discussions between you and Senator Murray he followed up with letters to you on May 18, and June 15, concerning a possible arrangement between Atlantic Defence Industitles Limited (ADIL) of Nova Scotla, and U.S.-based FMC, which could result in considerable Atlantic benefits, particularly it the M113 FMC vehicle was selected under the militia contract. ADIL pursued discussions with FMC on the understanding, clearly expressed by your officials, that for contract. officials, that for operational purposes, the M113 tracked vehicle was the only vehicle which might be considered appropriate for militia-training.

in stating your intention to recommend to Cabinet that the GM wheeled vehicle be selected instead, it would appear that not only have the vehicles' operational requirements changed substantially, but, as understand GM's proposal, you would be seeking approval for a proposal which promises minimal regional industrial benefits for Atlantic Canada. Indeed, the GM proposal, as submitted, offers only ten percent of the contract for Atlantic Canada and, under GM's scenario, this minimal benefit would not be brovided directly, but instead would depend on future sales?

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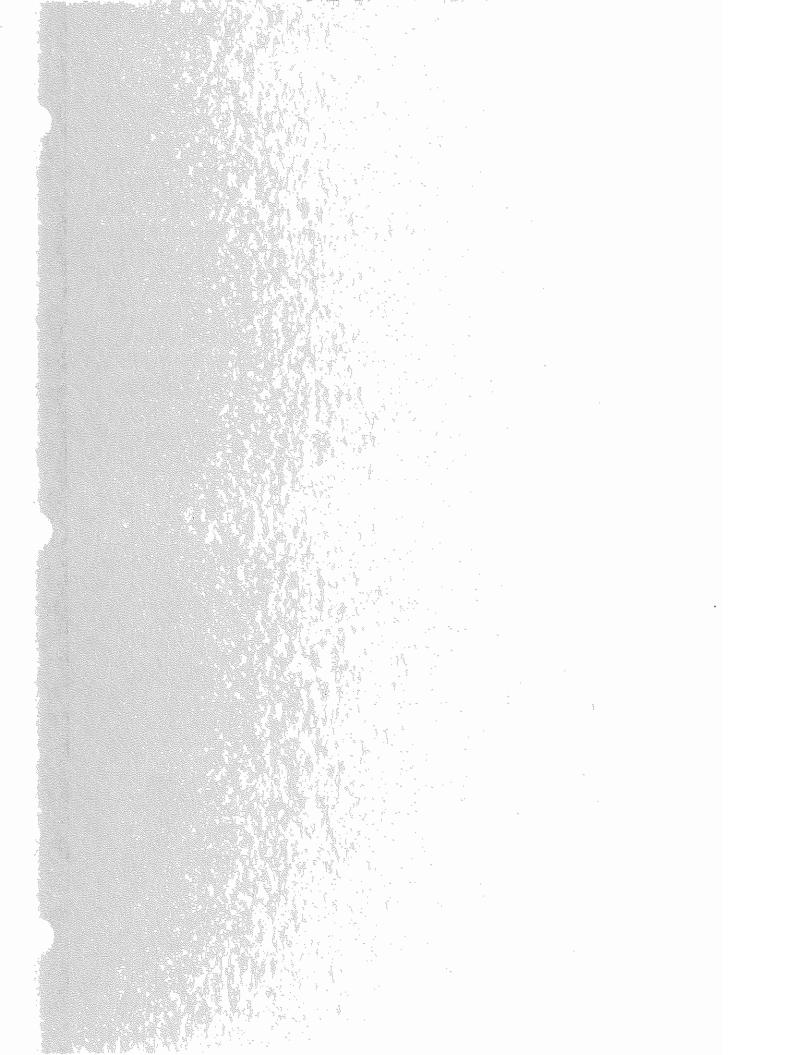
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## How one file set off Schreiber's string of mystery payments

Mulroney's Atlantic minister speaks out on proposed arms plant

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GREG MCARTHUR FROM FRIDAY'S GLOBE AND MAIL MARCH 14, 2008 AT 2:46 AM EDT

It was Lowell Murray's first day on the job and his boss - Prime Minister Brian Mulroney - had one task in particular he asked the senator to tackle.

The two men were flying somewhere over Eastern Canada in the government's Challenger jet, bound for an afternoon news conference in St. John's.

It was June 6, 1987, the day Mr. Mulroney announced the creation of the Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency and Mr. Murray's appointment as its inaugural minister. At some point during the three-hour flight, Mr. Mulroney reached over and handed a single file folder to Mr. Murray.

"Here's something you want to have a look at," Mr. Murray recalled Mr. Mulroney saying.

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Inside there was a single letter - a proposal for a light-armoured vehicle factory that Thyssen Industrie AG, a German arms manufacturer, wanted to build in Cape Breton.

It's been more than 20 years since that flight, and until now it has not been understood how this factory became such a priority for the Mulroney government. Speaking for the first time publicly about the proposed factory, Mr. Murray, a Progressive Conservative senator, played down the significance of that handoff. "I didn't attach any greater importance to it," he said.

However, when Mr. Mulroney gave Mr. Murray that file, it set in motion a chain of events that resulted in some of the former prime minister's friends and political allies getting paid hundreds of thousands of dollars by German-Canadian lobbyist Karlheinz Schreiber.

There's no evidence to suggest Mr. Mulroney knew his associates stood to profit from the Thyssen file he handed Mr. Murray in 1987. What is clear is that after receiving that assignment, Mr. Murray spent the next 15 months trying to make the factory, known as Bear Head Industries, a reality, and he helped persuade three ministers to sign an "understanding in principle" to support the project.

Those signatures prompted \$2-million to take a circuitous route from Thyssen's headquarters in Germany to shell companies in Liechtenstein, on to Mr. Schreiber's Swiss bank accounts, until a portion of that money made its way into Canadian pockets. The factory was never built.

Mr. Murray, who still serves as one of three Progressive Conservatives in the Senate, says he was shocked to discover through recent news reports who was paid as a result of that document being signed 21 years ago. He also expressed bewilderment that Thyssen would pay so much for a document that, he says, didn't force the government to do much of anything.

"Incredulous. That's all I can say. Absolutely incredulous. But of course I don't know what [the money] was for," Mr. Murray said, later adding, "I'd like to know."

In his interviews with The Globe, Mr. Murray said the recipients of those commissions — only two are still alive — should publicly explain what work they performed for the money.

"It's important at a minimum because it's become a public issue. It's out there."

Mr. Murray insists that his intentions were pure; he wanted to make the agency a success and bring a potential 500 manufacturing jobs to an economically depressed area of Cape Breton, he said.

Others who were close to Mr. Mulroney also saw an opportunity. And documents originally obtained by CBC's the fifth estate – including Mr. Schreiber's Swiss banking records show just how much money there was to spread around.

## Pushing the proposal

Ten days after receiving the Thyssen file from the Prime Minister, Mr. Murray's phone rang-

On the other end of the line was Fred Doucet, Mr. Mulroney's former chief of staff and long-time friend, Mr. Murray said. The senator says he made a note of the conversation in his agenda book. Mr. Doucet, who had recently left the Prime Minister's Office to become Canada's ambassador of international summits, congratulated Mr. Murray on his new post and encouraged the senator to get moving on his first assignment, Mr. Murray said.

"[He] also told me that the Thyssen thing was important," Mr. Murray said. "The idea was that it would be of great political advantage, that it was extremely important, that the Prime Minister thought it was important."

"I didn't consider that untoward, [Mr. Doucet] had been a political assistant in the PMO and he came from Cape Breton and he was interested in the political fortunes of the party."

The very same day, Mr. Murray says he received a cali from Mr. Doucet's brother, the lobbyist, Gerry Doucet. Gerry Doucet was one of the partners of Government Consultants International, the firm made up of prominent Tories such as Frank Moores, the late former Newfoundland premier, and Conservative organizer Gary Ouellet, who has also died. The firm represented Mr. Schreiber and Bear Head Industries and Gerry Doucet called to make sure the senator was

"moving the project forward," Mr. Murray said.

In the latter half of 1987, Mr. Murray would go on to have more than a dozen conversations with the Doucet brothers – three with Fred and 10 with Gerry – about the proposed factory, Mr. Murray said. The senator also recalled Fred Doucet urging Mr. Murray to promote the project with Perrin Beatty, who at that time was defence minister.

(When contacted by The Globe, Fred Doucet declined to comment on any of his conversations with Mr. Murray. Gerry Doucet did not return messages.)

Across the Atlantic, Karlheinz Schreiber and his accountant Giorgio Pelossi were plotting to ensure that lots of money would be available if the federal government made its support for the factory more official.

A series of 1987 letters between Mr. Pelossi and Thyssen show that the arms manufacturer gave Mr. Schreiber \$1.9-million to support his lobbying efforts, and the company agreed to give him another \$2-million if he delivered a "letter of intent" from the Canadian government.

On Christmas Eve, 1987, Mr. Pelossi sent Thyssen the good news - such a letter was just around the corner.

"On the part of the responsible government offices, we have been assured that this letter of intent will be granted to you at the beginning of next year," Mr. Pelossi wrote.

#### Back to the drawing board

It took a little longer. On Aug. 30, 1988, Mr. Murray spoke with Fred Doucet again, and again, Mr. Murray says, the former PMO staffer was calling about the proposed factory – but this time in a different capacity.

Mr. Doucet had left the government just weeks earlier and became a lobbyist. Mr. Murray says Mr. Doucet called to let him know he was now representing the Bear Head project. He would go on to speak with Mr. Doucet three more times in September about the project, Mr. Murray said. With hindsight, it was a good time to be associated with the project. A windfall was on the horizon.

A federal election was imminent, and Mr. Murray said he wanted something in writing to make sure the proposal wasn't left behind when all the campaigning was over – especially if there was a change in government. His agency started to pursue a "letter of comfort," Mr. Murray said.

The only problem was, the defence department was firmly against the idea – and had already rebuffed Mr. Schreiber's proposal on numerous occasions. The only way Mr. Beatty was going to sign anything, the former defence minister told The Globe in an interview, was if "there was no obligation to choose" the Thyssen vehicles.

Mr. Murray went back to the drawing board.

"So we then started drafting and redrafting and drafting and redrafting," the senator said. "Originally we thought agreement in principle and this thing was lawyered and lawyered and lawyered again. And the Department of Justice, I think it was, probably came up with 'understanding in principle' to make the commitment even less serious on the part of the government," Mr. Murray said.

Finally, on Sept. 27, 1988 – just days before Mr. Mulroney called a federal election – the ministers signed the document. Thyssen issued a press release and the Nova Scotia media ran with stories about a potential 500 jobs for Cape Breton.

But back in Ottawa, at least one high-ranking defence official was still in the dark, saying it was the only occasion he could recall not being informed about his minister, Mr. Beatty, signing such an agreement.

"It wasn't processed in normal channels," said the official. "We were not interested in this deal because we just didn't have the money or the priority... and that position was taken quite consistently."

"I frankly, to this day, don't know what the [understanding] in principle was supposed to achieve."

### Invoices roll in

After the document was signed, one of the first invoices to arrive for Mr. Schreiber was from Fred Doucet, whose new company was Fred Doucet Consulting International.

It was dated Nov. 2, 1988, which was less than three months after Mr. Doucet left his government job and about a month after the document was signed. His invoice was for \$90,000.

Other invoices started rolling in. The law firm of Gerry Doucet, Mr. Doucet's brother, also billed for \$90,000. Gary Ouellet's consulting company billed for a further \$90,000. Frank Moores sent his \$90,000 invoice and his lobby firm, Government Consultants International, issued an invoice for \$250,000.

All of the invoices used similar language to describe the work that was performed: "professional services," "services rendered" and "consulting services."

And sure enough, over a period of 20 days, money started winding its way from Germany back to the lobbyists. Thyssen sent \$2-million to one of Mr. Schreiber's Liechtenstein shell companies. That was transferred to another shell company, which in turn sent \$1-million to one of Mr. Schreiber's Swiss bank accounts. Then, \$610,000 was transferred out of the Swiss bank account - codenamed "Frankfurt" - the same day Fred Doucet invoiced Mr. Schreiber.

After the money made its way through another Liechtenstein company, Mr. Schreiber paid all of the parties – a total of \$610,000 – on Nov. 15, 1988, from one of his Calgary companies, Bitucan.

(Neither of the former ministers interviewed for this story – Mr. Murray and Mr. Beatty – said they had any knowledge of the commissions that were set to flow as a result of that document being signed. Mr. Beatty said he never received "any pressure" to sign the document.)

Mr. Murray said he couldn't recall speaking about the factory with Mr. Ouellet, and he said he has a vague recollection of meeting with Mr. Moores, but said he couldn't remember the exact date.

Fred Doucet's only public comments about his role with the Bear Head project came in February when he testified before the House of Commons ethics committee. In his sworn testimony, the former Mulroney staffer was asked when he started working for Mr. Schreiber. His answer - "I believe I got on the payroll in February

of '90" – was 14 months after he issued his \$90,000 invoice to Mr. Schreiber. When the contradiction was exposed in the media, Mr. Doucet's lawyer sent a letter to the committee apologizing and explaining that his client was "mistaken" – but neglected to explain how Mr. Doucet came to make that mistake.

Questions about what Mr. Mulroney knew about the commission deal, and why he selected the Thyssen file as the only file to hand Mr. Murray during his first day on the job remain unanswered.

The public relations firm handling inquires for the former prime minister declined to comment.

In December, Mr. Mulroney testified before the House of Commons ethics committee that he was "supportive of the project" but was never asked about the money that was funnelled back to Canada as a result of that document.

#### TIMELINE

#### Behind the Bear Head project

Feb. 23, 1982: A 42-year-old Brian Mulroney sends a Telex to German businessman Karlbeinz Schreiber, congratulating him on becoming a Canadian citizen.

January, 1983: Progressive Conservative Leader Joe Clark announces a leadership race after receiving only 66.9 per cent support from delegates at a Winnipeg convention. Mr. Schreiber later reveals that he paid to fly anti-Clark delegates to the convention.

Sept. 4, 1984: Brian Mulroney, who replaced Mr. Clark as Progressive Conservative party leader, becomes Canada's 18th prime minister.

June 6, 1987: During a flight to St. John's to announce the creation of the Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency, Prime Minister Brian Mulroney hands his new minister, Senator Lowell Murray, a single file folder, Mr. Murray says. Inside is a proposal from Thyssen Industrie AG, a German arms manufacturer, to build a light-armoured vehicle factory in Cape Breton known as Bear Head Industries, Mr. Murray says. There's no evidence to suggest that Mr. Mulroney knew his associates stood to profit from the Thyssen file he handed Mr. Murray.

June 15, 1987: Mr. Murray says he receives a phone call from Fred Doucet, the ambassador of summits and Mr. Mulroney's friend. Mr. Doucet tells Mr. Murray the Prime Minister considers the project "important," Mr. Murray says. The same day, Mr. Murray gets a phone call from Mr. Doucet's brother, Gerry Doucet, a lobbyist with Government Consultants International, the firm representing Bear Head, Mr. Murray says.

Nov. 26, 1987: In a letter, Thyssen informs Karlheinz Schreiber that the German-Canadian middleman is entitled to millions of dollars in success fees if he can deliver a "letter of intent" from the federal government for the proposed factory.

Dec. 24, 1987: Mr. Schreiber's accountant informs Thyssen that a letter is on the way.

July 13, 1988: Mr. Murray says he starts drafting a "letter of comfort" to solidify the government's support for the project.

Aug. 30, 1988: Mr. Murray gets a phone call from Fred Doucet, who informs the senator that he's now working as a lobbyist and representing Mr. Schreiber and the Bear Head project.

Sept. 27, 1988: Three of Mr. Mulroney's ministers sign an "understanding in principle" with Bear Head Industries.

Oct. 25, 1988: Thyssen sends \$2-million to the Liechtenstein bank account of Mr. Schreiber's shell company, half of which later flows into Mr. Schreiber's Swiss bank accounts.

Nov. 15, 1988: Mr. Schreiber's Alberta company, Bitucan Holdings, issues \$90,000 cheques to Fred Doucet's consulting company, Frank Moores, Gerry Doucet's law firm and Gary Ouellet's consulting company — as well as a \$250,000 cheque to Government Consultants International.

1993-1994: Mr. Mulroney accepts at least \$225,000 in cash from Mr. Schreiber in hotels in Montreal and New York.

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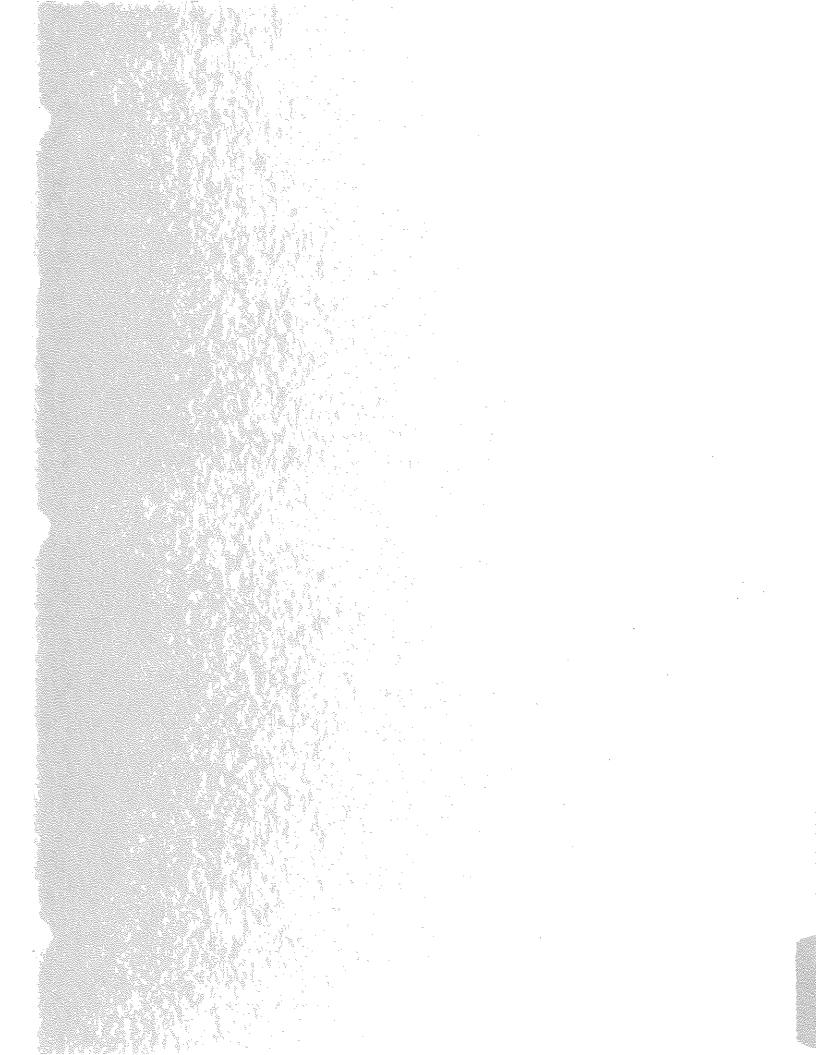


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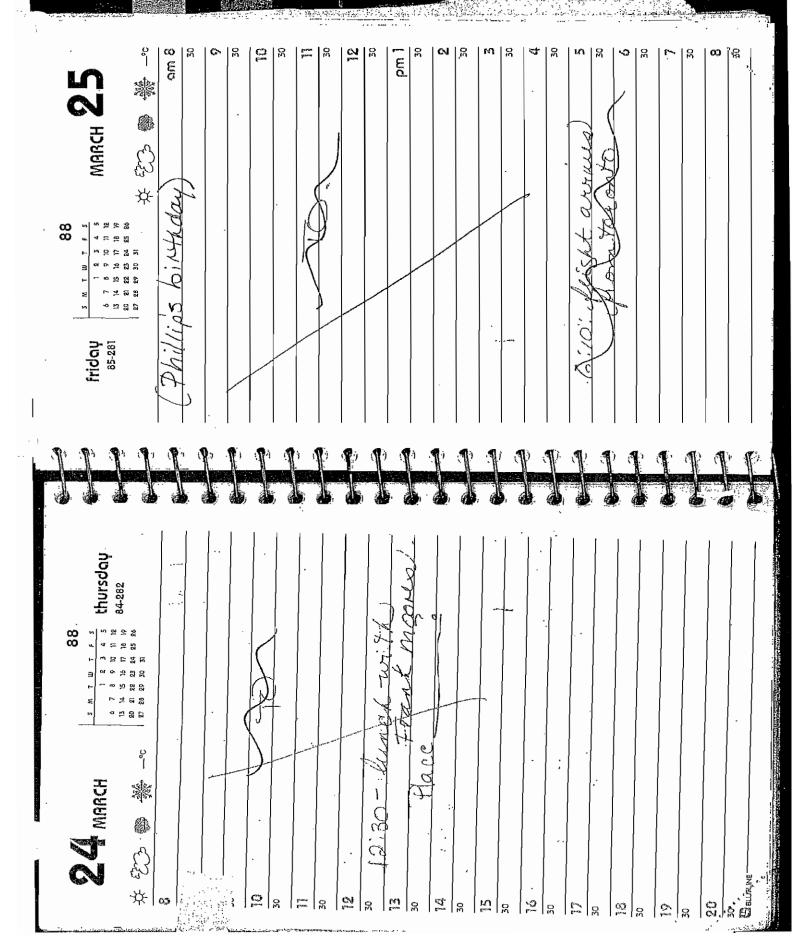
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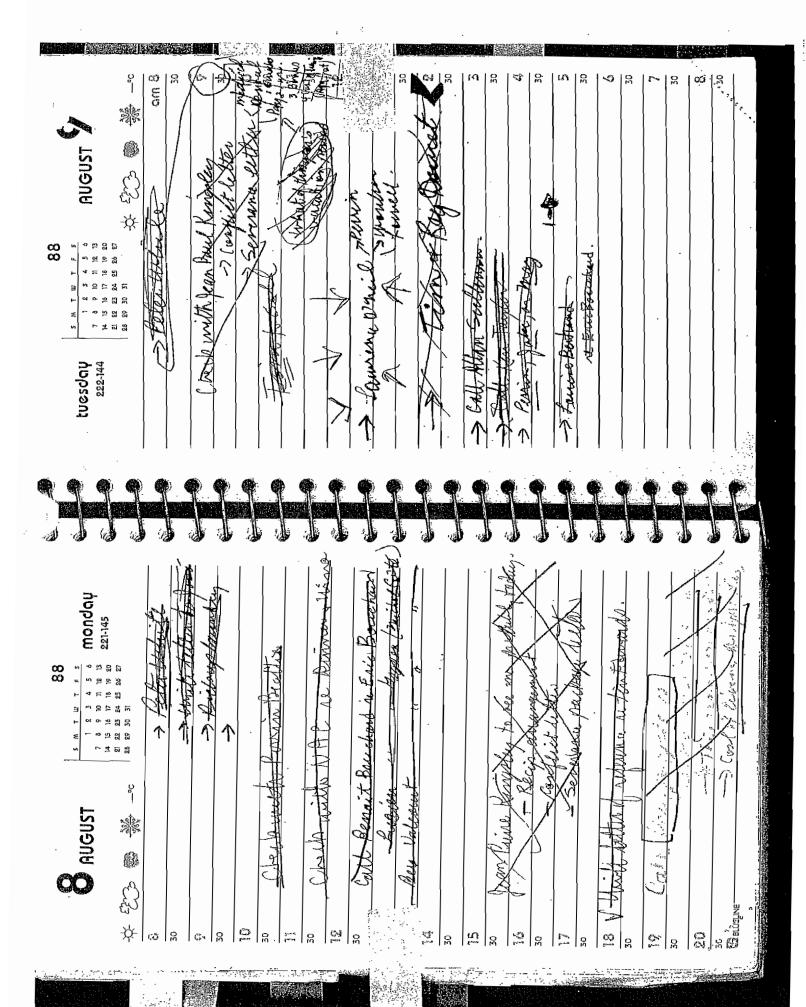
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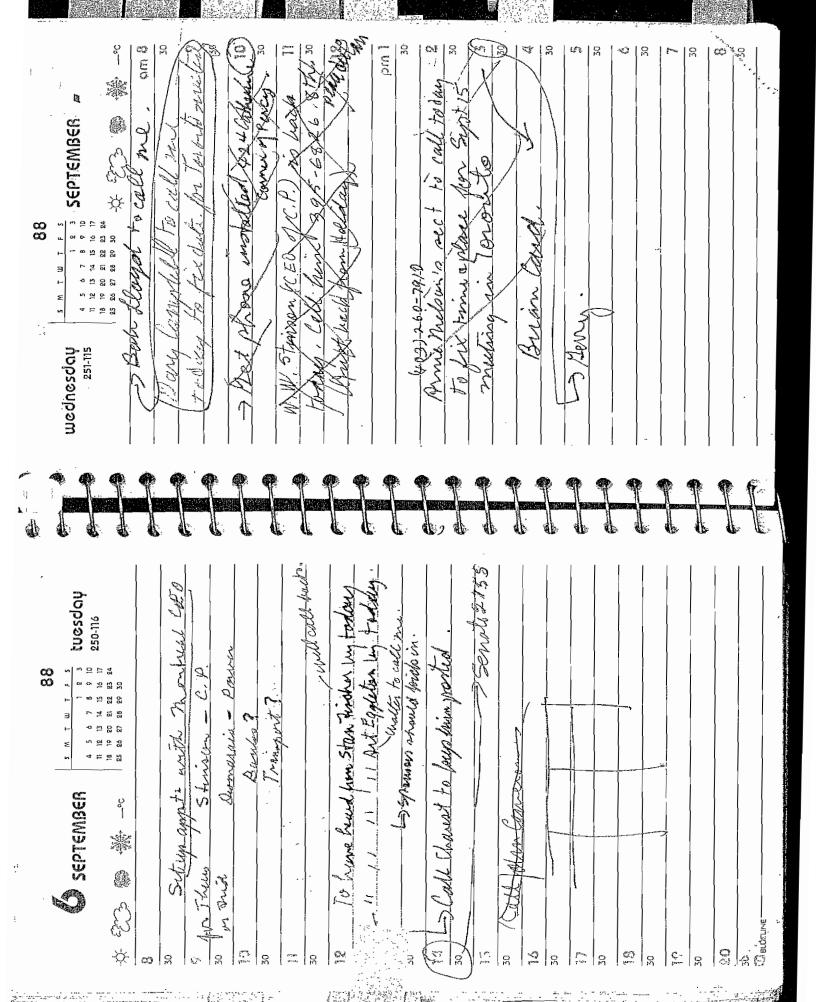
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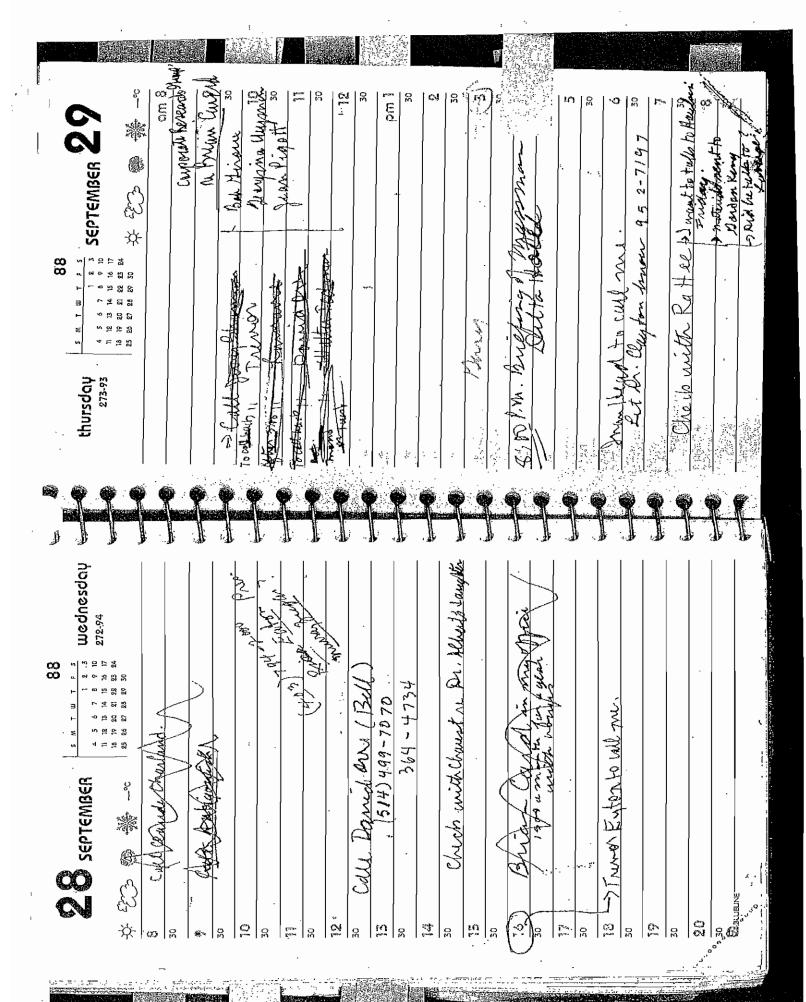


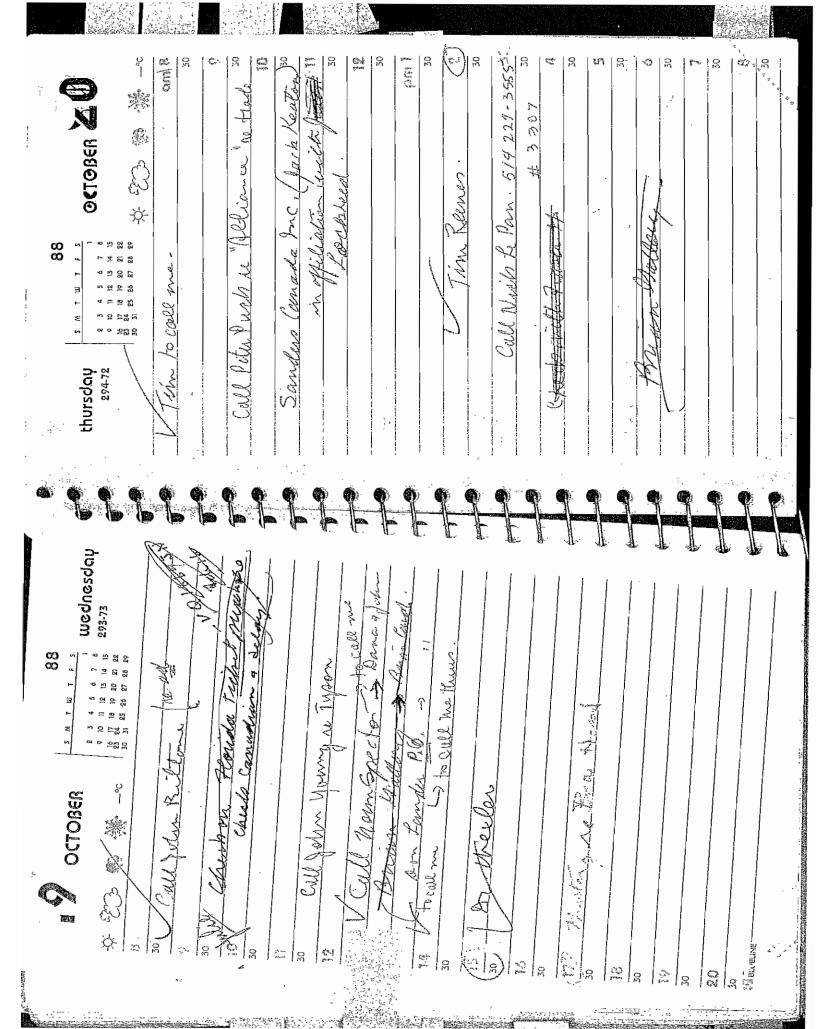
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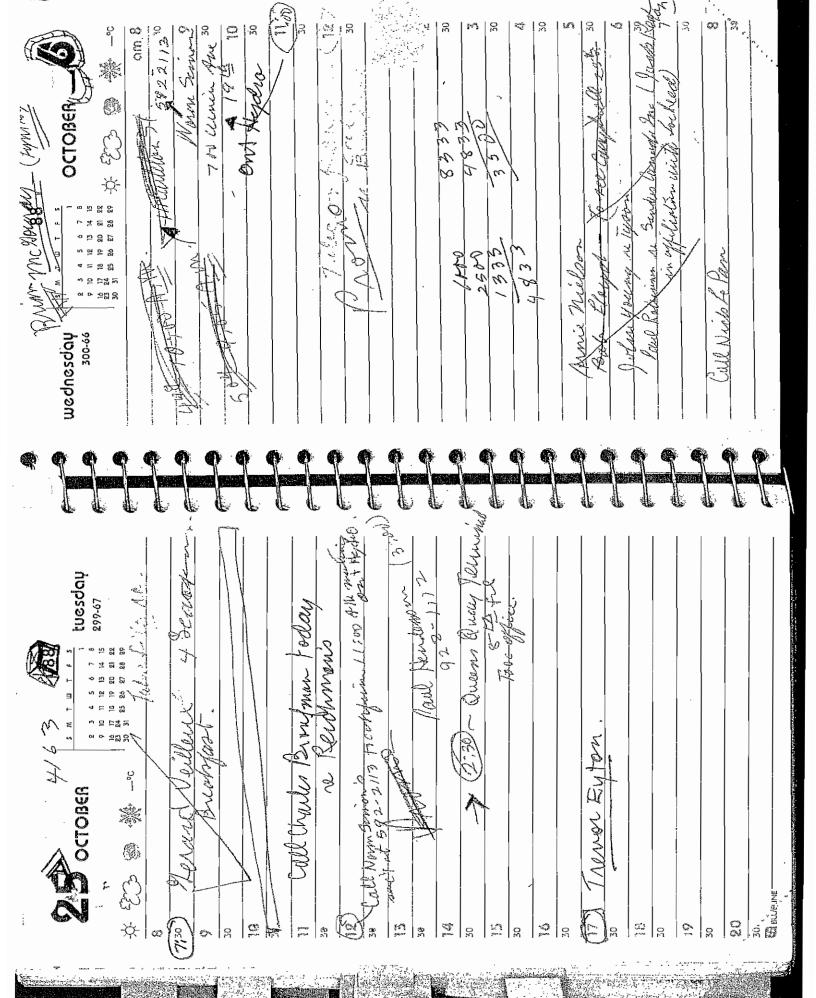


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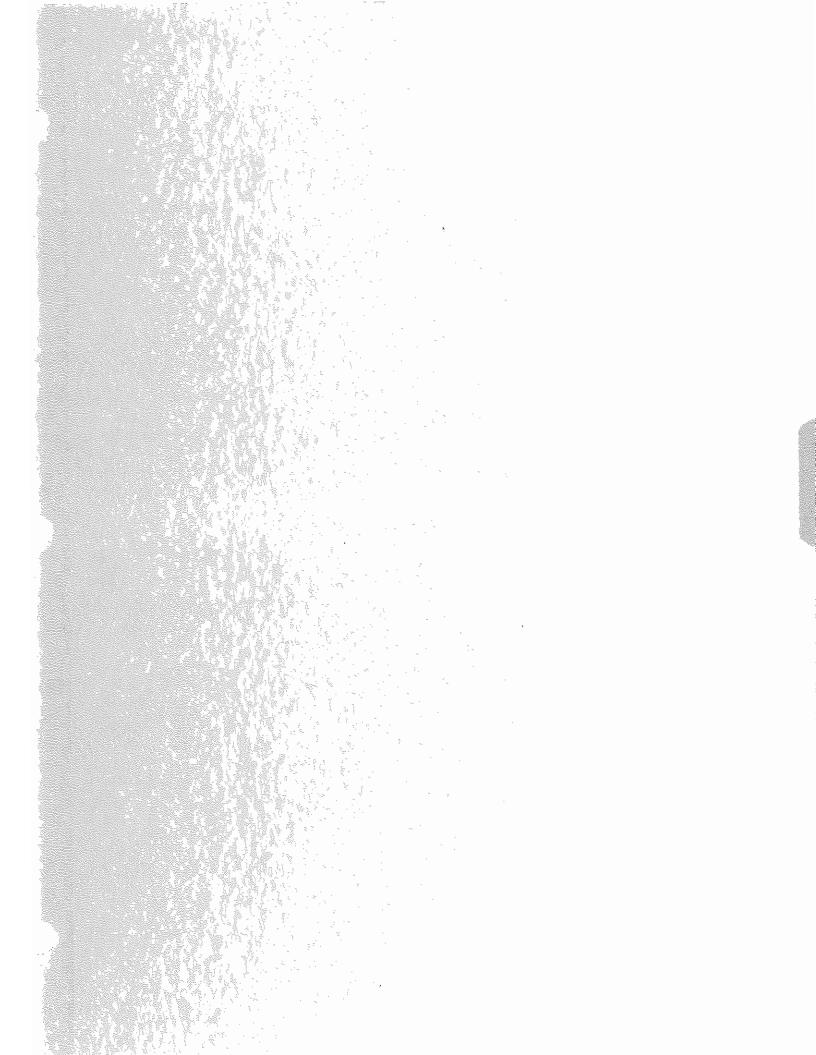




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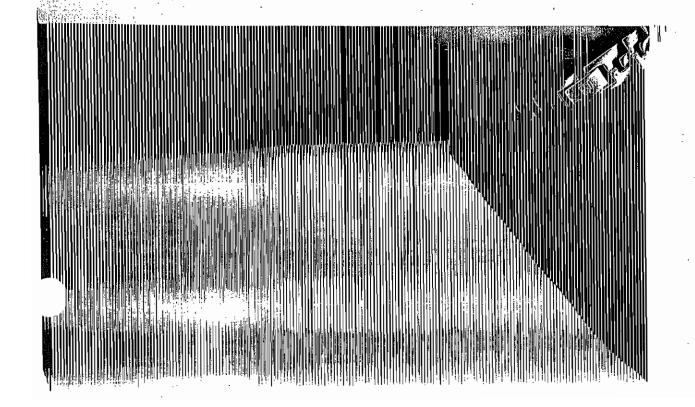
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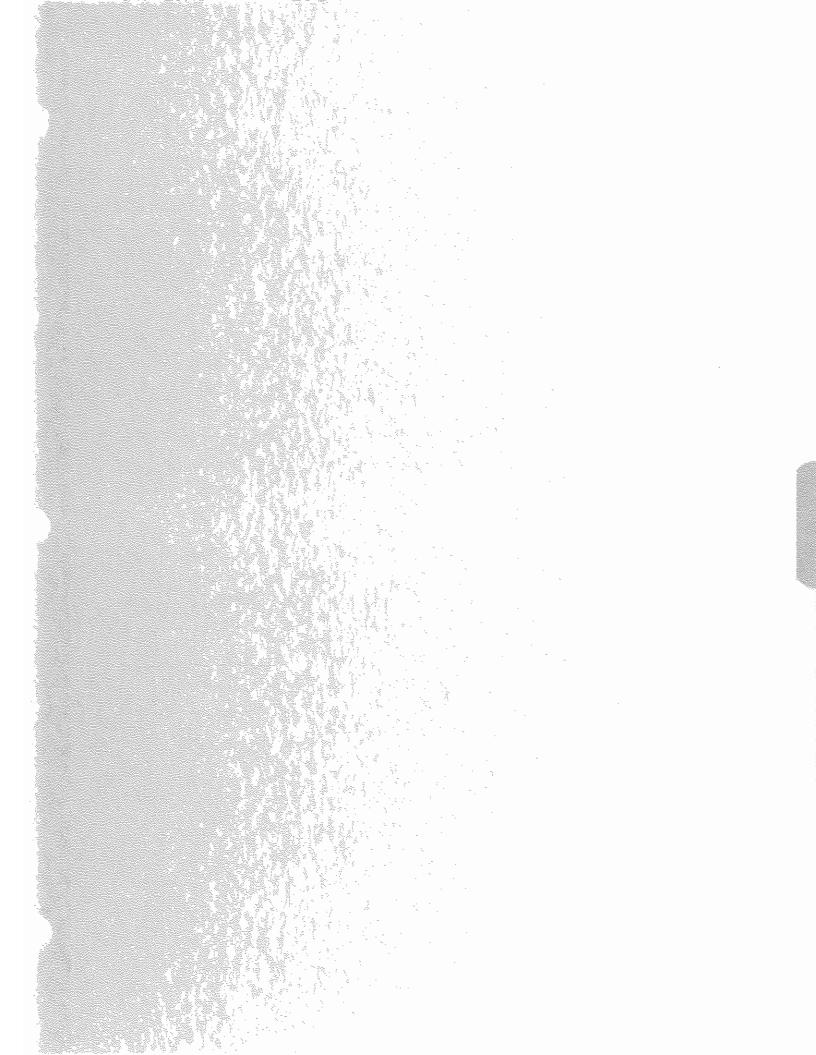
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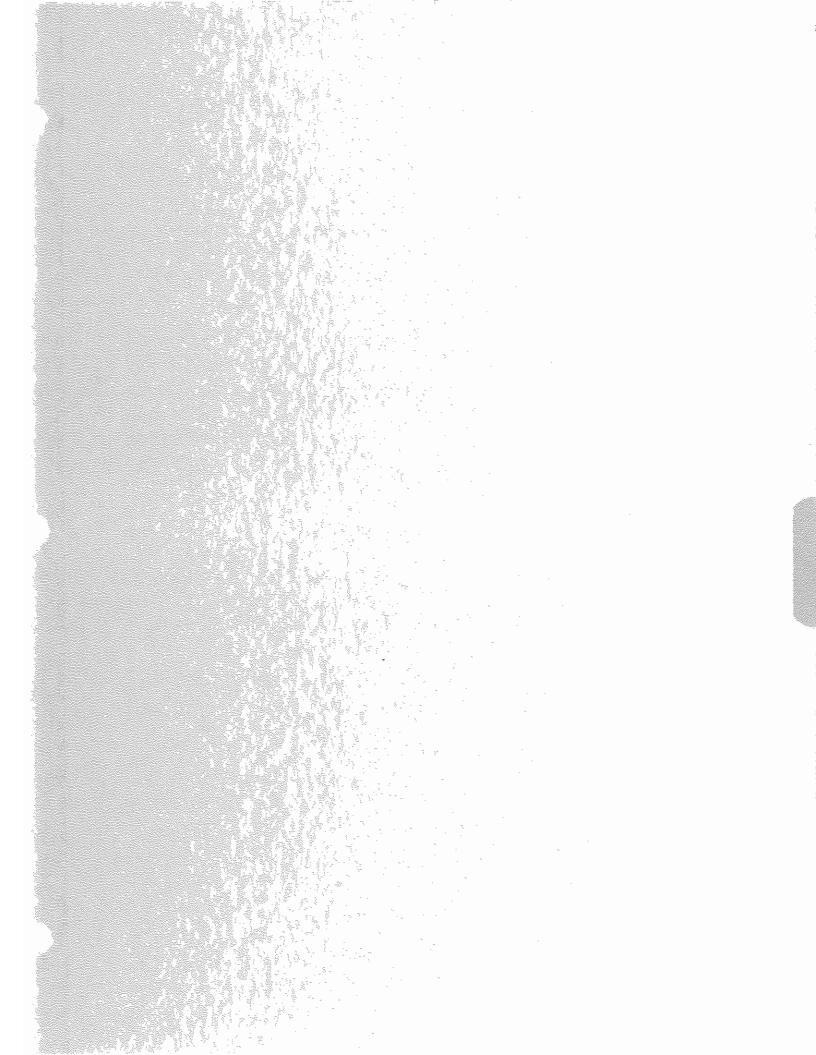
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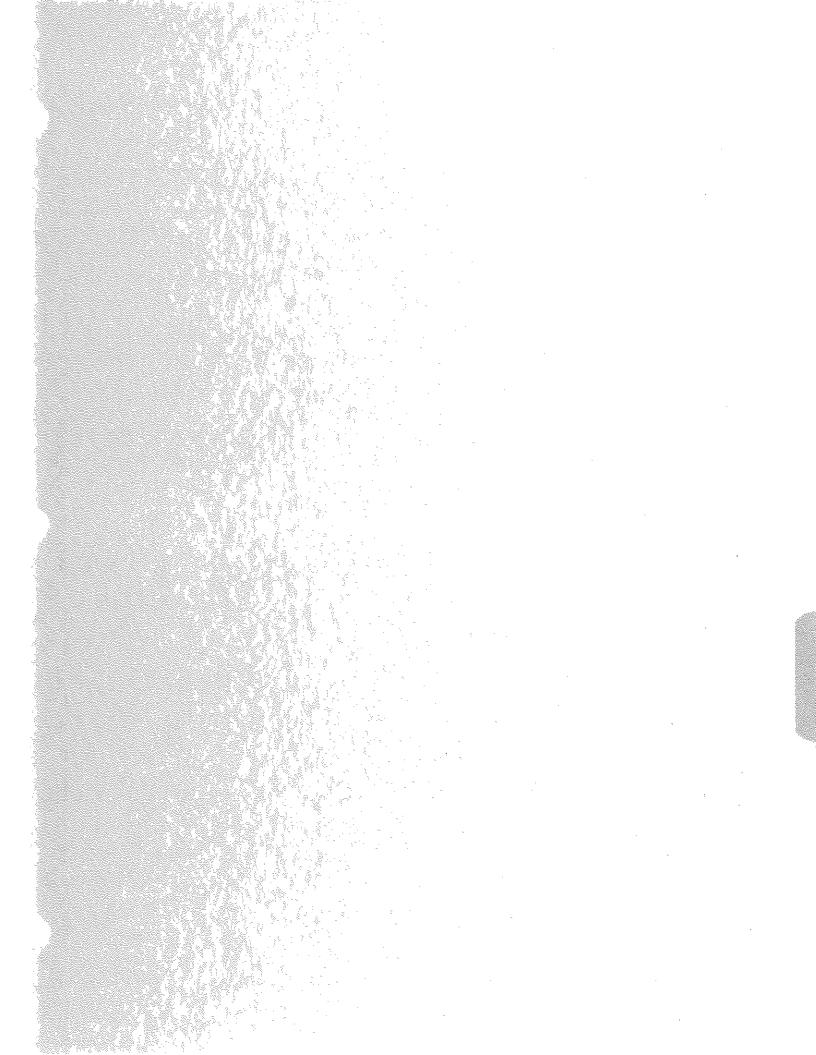
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- 2) ADIL. american partner becoming impatient and Hack back fears ADIL might love FMC.

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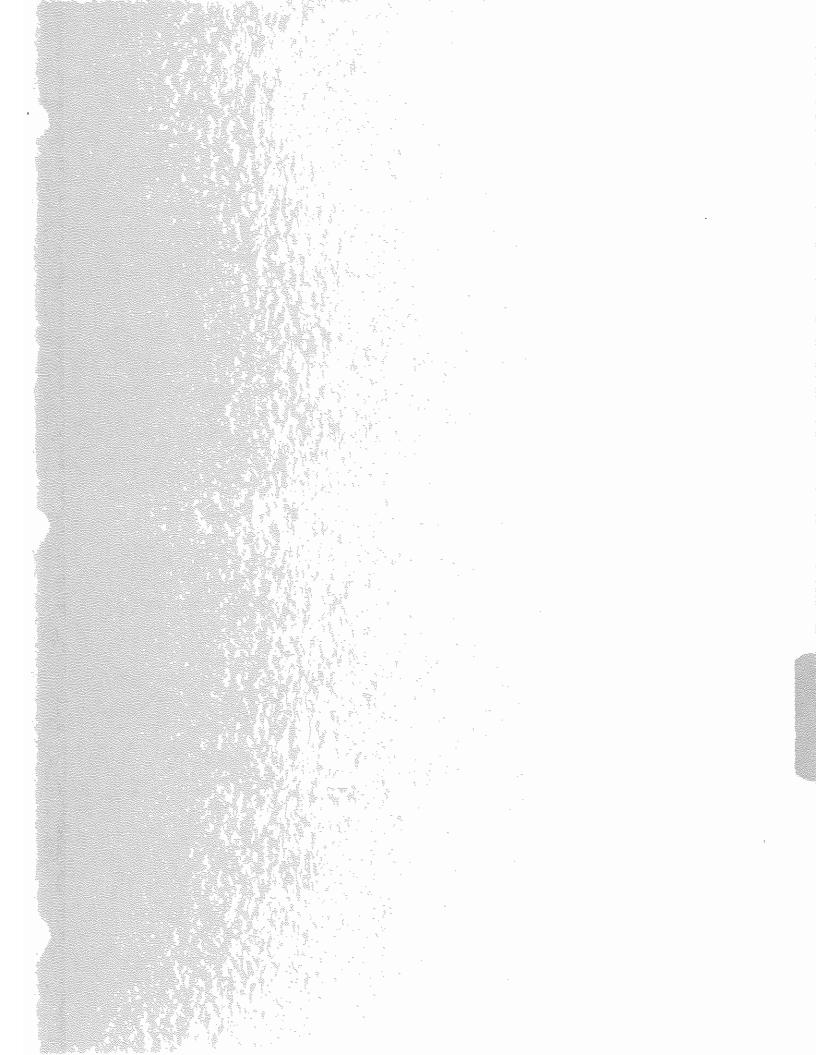
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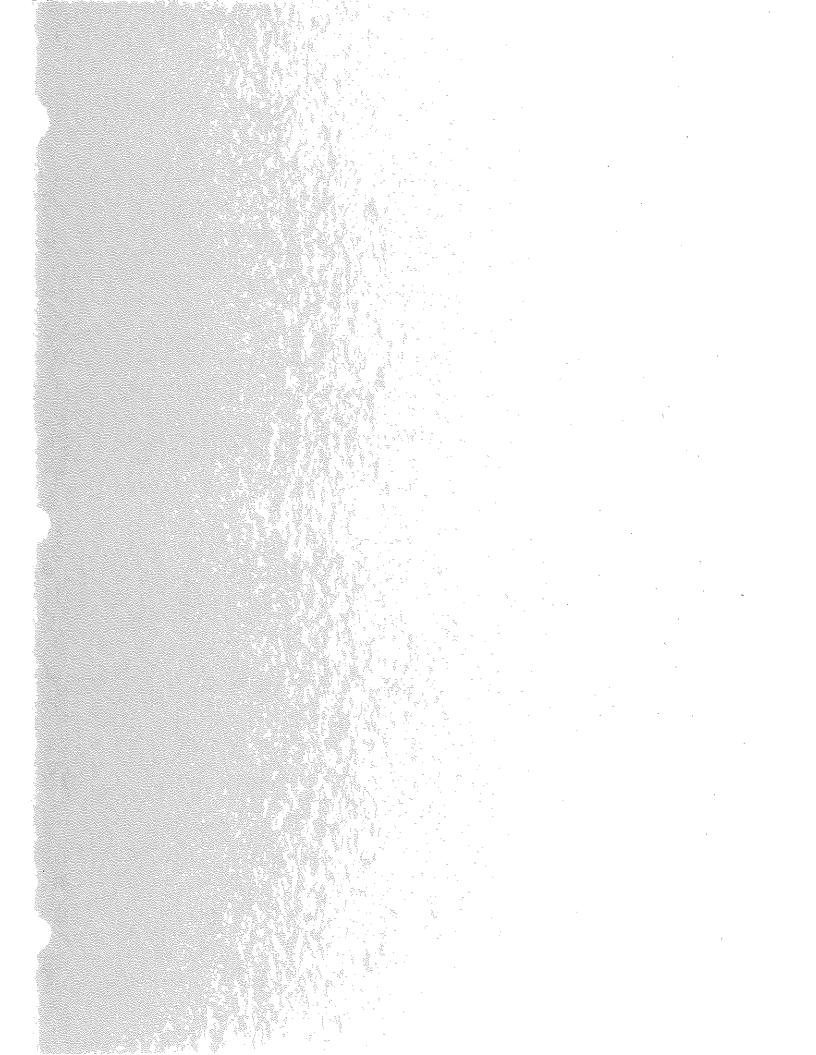
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Status of the U.S. Army NBC Vehicle Program

A contract for the first 6 units is now in place with THYSSEN HENSCHEL.

Procurement of 48 units for the USAERU (US Army Europe) is expected to follow by Spring, 1989. This is already approved within the US Army and no further congressional approval is required.

The larger 522 unit production run will be tendered in the near fuutre. Specification will be for non-development item (NDI) and given that the THYSSEN TPZ Fox NBC is the only vehicle in existence that meets the US Army operational requirements for NBC, (as demonstrated by the US Army in placing the above mentioned order for the first 6 units) the specs will be closely based on the THYSSEN TPZ Fox NBC vehicle and thus give THYSSEN HENSCHEL a structural advantage in the competition.

Furthermore, under the NDI rules in the U.S. no monies will be made available for developments on other competitors equipment which may not be up to U.S. specifications and requirements.

Thyssen's U.S. team partner to bid on this 522 unit production run is General Dynamics Land Systems.

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