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DEPARTMENT OF NORTHERN AFFAIRS AND NATIONAL RESOURCES

OTTAWA, 31st October, 1955.

MEMORANDUM FOR FILE

Attention: Mr. Richardson

RE: MONUMENT, BATTLE OF CHRYSLER'S FARM;
MONUMENT, LOCK 20.

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Mr. Bryan
no letter from
them we should
draft a letter
to the D.M. reminding
them so we can get
before the
Board in
December.
Personally,
I am happy
about the
Commission's
proposal.*

On Friday afternoon, October 28, I attended a meeting with Deputy Minister Robertson and Assistant Deputy Minister Jackson; Dr. Carroll, Assistant Commissioner, Ontario St. Lawrence Development Commission, and Mr. J. Smart.

The Ontario St. Lawrence Development Commission, through Dr. Carroll, had the following proposals to make:

- (a) The Commission will remove the Battle of Chrysler's Farm monument from the present site to a site selected for a major park and Commission headquarters development;
- (b) The monument will be sited in the new area so as to be in full view of the new highway and from the river;
- (c) The monument is to be set on a higher base than is presently the case and will be in effect the centre-piece for the park development, which will include Museum buildings, headquarters buildings, etc;
- (d) The monument at Lock 20, it is suggested, will be removed to a small park to be developed by the Ontario Hydro Commission.

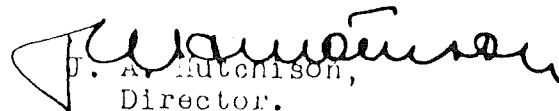
Mr. Hutchison told me this will be reasonably close to Lock 20.

The above matters will be dealt with by the Ontario St. Lawrence Development Commission in a communication to the Deputy Minister and it is my understanding from Dr. Carroll that the letter containing the proposals will be

forwarded at an early date. In turn, he was informed that it is desired to have the proposals in sufficient time to include them in the agenda for the meeting of the Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada, called for early December. (Chief Richardson: Please see that the two items are placed on the agenda for consideration.)

If the Board advise the Minister that the proposals of the Ontario St. Lawrence Development Commission be accepted, it will then be necessary to have final approval from the Minister and to see to it that the Ontario St. Lawrence Development Commission is so advised. It will also be necessary to draft inscriptions for small secondary plaques which will explain the new siting in relation to the historical event or thing marked at the former location.

I feel these secondary inscriptions should be composed by the Board, too. Please note this agenda.


J. A. Hutchison,
Director.