



COMMONWEALTH RELATIONS OFFICE,

DOWNING STREET, S.W.1.

12th March, 1952.

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Mr. dear Chairman,

Thank you for your letter of the 12th March conveying the invitation from the North Atlantic Council for me to become Vice Chairman of the North Atlantic Council and Secretary-General of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation.

I should be grateful if you would inform the Chairman of the Council, and through him the fourteen Governments who are parties to the North Atlantic Treaty, that on the advice of Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom, The Queen has accepted my resignation from the office of Secretary of State for Commonwealth Relations in order that I may accept the high

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The Hon. C. M. Spofford.

appointment which has been offered to me.

Would you add that I am indeed honoured by the confidence which has been placed in me, and that I am resolved to do my duty to the best of my ability.

Yours very sincerely
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