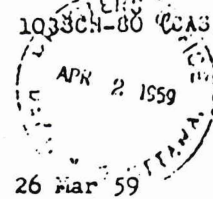


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MEMORANDUM

The Minister (Through Deputy Minister)

Arrow Cancellation - Disposal of Materiel

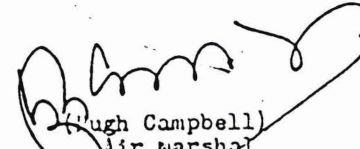
1 In your approval to my recommendation of 13 March 1959 on courses of action to be taken in respect to disposal of materiel arising out of the cancellation of the Arrow, you desired to be informed before final action was taken on the method of disposal being considered for the disposition of the airframes and the Iroquois engines.

2 Two methods may be followed:

- (a) Declaring as surplus materiel to Crown Assets Disposal agency. This course is not recommended for the reason that this agency has the prerogative of selling this materiel in its original state. This course could lead to subsequent embarrassment, that is, airframe and engine could conceivably be placed on public view or even, in fact, used as a roadside stand. This, I am sure, you will agree is most undesirable.
- (b) Relinquishing any DND interest in the airframes and engines to DDP for ultimate disposal by that agency. In this case DDP can reduce it to scrap. This course is recommended.

3 I would appreciate being advised whether you concur in the method recommended.

cc: Deputy Minister

  
(Hugh Campbell)  
Air Marshal  
Chief of the Air Staff.

*D.M. May I have your comments  
please Louis Levesque*

The infamous recommendation to reduce the Arrows to scrap originated with Hugh Campbell, Chief of the Air Staff. It did not come from John Diefenbaker as has been alleged for thirty-three years. He probably never saw it. (DIRECTORATE