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# WHEN BOMARC TO BE FIRED

controllers, not the RCAF, likely will push the firing button for Bomarcs based in Canada, informants say.

They add that the RCAF in all likelihood will have little or no control over the Bomarc anti-aircraft missiles to be installed in this country.

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The RCAF will man the two Bomarc bases near North Bay and Mont Laurier, Que., and keep the missiles in repair and ready for firing. But any firings likely will be carried out by remote control by U.S. operators in the U.S., the informants say.

The reason for this is that the Bomarc will be locked into the SAGE (semi-automatic ground environment) electronic

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This system will channel all

the information from aircraft-tracking radars into computers which will figure out the point interception and automatically fire the missile to destroy

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The SAGE system already is in operation in the U.S. and controls the operations of ground-to-air missiles and some interceptor planes. RCAF interceptors cannot be so controlled because they do not have the proper equipment. RCAF planes are controlled by radar stations in Canada that are partly manned by Canadian are partly manned by Canadian personnel.

SAGE units in New England already have fired test Bomarcs from bases located 1,500 miles

Bomarc bases in Canada, scheduled to come into operation in 1961, are designed maintion in 1961, are designed mainly to afford partial protection to the Northeastern U.S., an area which the U.S. cannot cover itself because Southwestern Ontario thrusts down into the U.S. defence areas. That is why the U.S. is paying two-thirds of their estimated \$110,000,000 cost.

One \$100,000,000 SAGE unit is scheduled to be built in Canada. It will not operate independently for Canadian use but will be a projection of the U.S. system. It is possible, the informants say, that some firings of Bomarcs installed in Canada would be controlled by

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## COME TO CANADA' **BRITONS** GO HOME

from MICHAEL COPE

TORONTO

HUNDREDS of British technicians brought to Canada with promises of permanent jobs on the now abandoned Avro Arrow jet fighter, are out of work and waiting for a chance to get home.

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Five thousand of the 14,000
A. V. Roe (Canada) Ltd.
workers who were summarily
sacked by the company eight
days-, ago, were British
immigrants. The mass
firings came when the
Canadian Prime Minister,
Mr. Diefenbaker, cancelled
the Avro Arrow programme.

Many of the workers were
brought over by Avro. Others
made their own way here, selling homes and possessions in
Britain on the assurance that
well-paid per manent jobs
awaited them in Canada.

About 1,000 families have
scraped up their fares home.
Shipping agents report a rush in
bookings.

### 'Insecure'

But others, like Colin Broughton, a 31-year-old design engineer from Carshalton, Surrey, have not got the money to go home. He gave up an £18-a-week job with Hawker Siddeley to go to Avro in Canada.

"We have never felt so utterly deserted and insecure as we do now," said his wife Sylvia today.

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"Colin is in Montreal now looking for work. He will take anything that will let us save enough to go home. He is sure he can get an engineering job in Britain."

The Broughtons, who were assured by Avro that the job was permanent when they came here 18 months ago, bought furniture and a car on hire purchase. They did not manage to save anything. They have two children, Richard, four, and Catharine, five months.