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Memorandum for: The USCIB Coordinator

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1. It is not too early to bring to your attention and to the attention of all Board members the fact that it will be impossible to conduct any business in London with overseas visitors during May and June of 1953.
2. Even today hotel accommodations are arranged by this office several days in advance to insure that visitors will be adequately, not luxuriously, taken care of. Today, transportation out of England is difficult to, with the London MATS office getting only three seats per week on the two Frankfurt-Paris-Washington flights. Of course the regular MATS service from Prestwick through Ireland-Newfoundland and Nova Scotia to Westover is also available. It seems unlikely that additional military flights will be laid on for the Coronation. Commercial transport, both sea and air, is now booked solid in both directions, with long waiting lists, over the Coronation period.
3. This office will be unable to arrange accommodations or transportation for May and June 1953, or to arrange for seats along the Coronation route. Official visits should conclude by 1 May 1953 and not commence again until mid-July 1953. Probably the whole summer following the Coronation will find this Island inundated with tourists making accommodations both difficult and expensive.
4. Additional data, to assist those able to afford the expense of a personal visit, is contained in the attached copies of a letter from the Army Attache, London, England.

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