

BRITAIN WILL SEND LORD CARADON TO ISLAND ON FRIDAY

Anguilla Assessment Ordered

LONDON (AP) — Britain Wednesday ordered Foreign Office Minister Lord Caradon to Anguilla to make a new assessment of conditions on the troubled Caribbean island that could lead to policy changes.

The surprise move, announced by the foreign office, followed meetings in New York between Caradon and Ronald Webster, self-styled President-elect of Anguilla's breakaway regime.

Caradon will go to Anguilla Friday, a foreign office spokesman told reporters.

Webster himself has made known his intentions of returning to the island, now under control of British paratroops and police, but there was no question of the two men traveling together.

The assignment of Caradon appeared to be something of an act of conciliation by Britain to the Anguillians. Webster had been pressing for a visit by a British minister after refusing to do business with British Commissioner Tony Lee.

Caradon, a former governor of Jamaica, is widely known and respected in the Caribbean. He is currently leader of Britain's permanent

delegation at United Nations headquarters.

In New York, Webster said Britain's announcement that Lord Caradon will fly to Anguilla to make a new assessment indicates "Anguillians have won the battle."

The island, formerly a part of the three-island British associate state of St. Kitts-Nevis-Anguilla, declared itself independent last February and its inhabitants elected Webster as their acting president.

On March 19, however, British marines and paratroopers occupied the island of 35 square miles without firing a shot.

Webster said he will meet with Caradon Friday. Webster said, "He is an honest and capable man, and I am sure he will help us."

He said Anguilla is not committed to total independence and did not rule out the possibility of an agreement with Britain that would again make the island part of the British Commonwealth. "But we will insist that the British troops be pulled out of Anguilla before direct negotiations are conducted," he added.

"I think the British are beginning to realize

that they did wrong by taking over Anguilla. They are beginning to recognize the will of the people which is the one that should determine the future of Anguilla, he said.

"We never had any real quarrel with Britain," he went on. "We have already won our major battle by getting the British to admit that Anguilla cannot return to the St. Kitts associate state."

Anguillians have always objected to the rule of St. Kitts Premier Robert L. Bradshaw, complaining that their island—which lacks electricity, paved roads and modern communications systems—has been neglected by the Bradshaw regime.

Webster left for Washington Wednesday for a short visit and was due in St. Thomas in the U.S. Virgin Islands at midnight. From St. Thomas he will go on to Anguilla today aboard a special plane of Anguilla Airways.

During his stay in New York he met with representatives of several governments in the United Nations and requested that a United Nations mission be sent to Anguilla. Britain has objected to this.

"We want the United Nations to see for themselves that there is no reason for British intervention," he said.

Commuters Pictured Walking To Work If Traffic Increases

By KEN HARTNETT

WASHINGTON (AP) — Commuters "are going to walk to work instead of ride" if traffic congestion gets much worse in the nation's cities, says Secretary of Transportation John A. Volpe.

"If you get down to a point where automobiles have to travel five miles an hour, well, you know how long people are going to use them," the former Massachusetts governor said in an interview with The Associated

Press.

"They are going to walk to work instead of ride. Of course," added Volpe, a physical fitness advocate, "it wouldn't hurt them if they did ..."

The secretary said it may be necessary to restrict use of automobiles in cities unless a mass transit breakthrough is achieved soon.

Volpe said congestion now keeps traffic crawling at an average of 10 miles an hour. (See COMMUTERS, Page 32)



Former President Harry S. Truman is greeted by his grandson William Daniels, 9, (back to camera) after he arrived in Key West Fla., with his wife Bess for a 2-week vacation. Truman, 84, flew to Florida from his home in Independence, Mo., and will vacation in this southern-most city with his daughter, Mrs. Clifton Daniels, her husband and family. (AP Photo)



President Nixon greets Canadian Prime Minister Pierre Elliott Trudeau at the White House. Trudeau, making his first official visit to Washington, spent two days of high level talks with the President and government officials. (AP Photo)

International Pilots Threaten Global Strikes On Hijackings

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AMSTERDAM—Representatives of 44,000 pilots in 54 countries Wednesday adopted a resolution intended to deter hijacking on the world's airlines by threatening boycotts and global strikes.

Speaker after speaker at a plenary session of the 24th conference of the International Federation of Airline Pilots Associations voiced frustration over the failure of governments to curb aerial piracy and urged a resolution with teeth in it to safeguard passengers and crew in the air and on the airfield.

The conference also adopted two other resolutions aimed at

preventing hijacking. One amends IFALPAS' own industrial manual and is considered a directive to pilots in the future. The other presents amendments to the Tokyo convention of 1963. This convention was intended to deter hijacking but it has not been ratified by more than a handful of the signatory powers.

The key resolution presented under the heading of Pilots' Freedom of Transit and Human Rights is aimed at states that, like Cuba, fail to institute "appropriate punishment" against a hijacker. It authorizes IFALPAS' officers to take any of a number of measures against the state in question.

Three of the measures are: —A ban on all air traffic into the offending state.

—Coordination with other organizations to limit movement of aircraft into the offending state and to restrict movement of cargo to and from the state whether it is air or surface cargo.

—A worldwide strike of 12 (See HIJACKERS, Page 32)

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