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and
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I

CANADIAN EMBASSY

[SEAL]

AMBASSADE DU CANADA

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Washington, D.C., June 8, 1950

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to discussions between representatives of our two Governments which were held in Washington on July 25, 1949, with a view to establishing a Pacific Ocean Station Programme.

During these discussions it was tentatively agreed that the following Stations locations would form an acceptable Pacific network of Ocean Stations for establishment at an early date and operation for an interim period until this scheme can be incorporated in a broader international agreement which the International Civil Aviation Organization might find possible to establish within the next few years.

“ N ” — 30 Degrees North — 140 Degrees West
“ O ” — 40 Degrees North — 142 Degrees West
“ P ” — 50 Degrees North — 145 Degrees West
“ Q ” — 43 Degrees North — 167 Degrees West
“ S ” — 48 Degrees North — 162 Degrees East
“ T ” — 14 Degrees North — 133 Degrees East
“ X ” — 42 Degrees North — 151 Degrees East

¹ Came into force on 22 June 1950, by the exchange of the said notes.

I have the honour to inform you that the Canadian Government has approved the establishment of the Programme on the understanding that :

- (A) Ocean Station " X " will continue to be operated by the Japanese Government. (This Station is presently located at 39 Degrees North 153 Degrees East).
- (B) Ocean Stations " N " and " O " will be operated by the Government of the United States.
- (C) Ocean Stations " Q " and " S " and " T " will be operated by the Government of the United States as soon as appropriate funds for the purpose are available.
- (D) Ocean Station " P " will be operated by the Government of Canada.

In addition, it is understood that, in consideration of the full operation by the Canadian Government of Ocean Station " P " at 50 Degrees North 145 Degrees West, the United States Government will undertake full operation of Ocean Weather Station " B " at 56 Degrees 30 Minutes North and 51 Degrees West in the Atlantic Ocean, thus enabling the Canadian Government to discharge in the Pacific Ocean its full obligation for both the Pacific and Atlantic Oceans. The latter obligation was established by the International Agreement on North Atlantic Ocean Weather Stations, signed in London, on September 25th, 1946; and as revised by the Agreement on North Atlantic Ocean Weather Stations, signed in London, May 12, 1949.

It is understood that this arrangement would be in consonance with Annex II of the International Agreement on North Atlantic Ocean Weather Stations signed in London September 25, 1946, and in consonance with Article X of the Agreement on North Atlantic Ocean Weather Stations signed in London on May 12, 1949.

It is further understood, if this proposal is acceptable, that both Governments shall notify I.C.A.O. of this arrangement.

If the foregoing proposals are acceptable to your Government I have the honour to suggest that this note and your reply thereto shall constitute an agreement between our two Governments on this matter.

Accept, Sir, the renewed assurance of my highest consideration.

H. H. WRONG

The Honourable Dean Acheson
The Secretary of State of the United States
Washington, D. C.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[SEAL]

WASHINGTON

June 22, 1950

Excellency :

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your note No. 318 of June 8, 1950 which reads as follows :

[See note I]

In reply, I have the honor to inform you that the Government of the United States of America concurs in the foregoing proposals of the Government of Canada and agrees that your note and this reply shall constitute an agreement between the two Governments on this matter.

Accept, Excellency, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

James E. WEBB

His Excellency Hume Wrong
Ambassador of Canada