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**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
and  
CANADA**

**Exchange of notes constituting an agreement terminating the supplementary agreement of 13 December 1940 amending with regard to fox furs and skins the Agreement of 17 November 1938 relating to reciprocal trade. Washington, 18 March 1947**

*Official text: English.*

*Registered by the United States of America on 6 December 1951.*

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**ÉTATS-UNIS D'AMÉRIQUE  
et  
CANADA**

**Échange de notes constituant un accord mettant fin à l'Accord complémentaire du 13 décembre 1940 modifiant, en ce qui concerne les pelleteries et peaux de renard, l'Accord commercial du 17 novembre 1938. Washington 18 mars 1947**

*Texte officiel anglais.*

*Enregistré par les États-Unis d'Amérique le 6 décembre 1951.*

No. 1584. EXCHANGE OF NOTES CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT<sup>1</sup> BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND CANADA TERMINATING THE SUPPLEMENTARY AGREEMENT OF 13 DECEMBER 1940<sup>2</sup> AMENDING WITH REGARD TO FOX FURS AND SKINS THE AGREEMENT OF 17 NOVEMBER 1938<sup>3</sup> RELATING TO RECIPROCAL TRADE. WASHINGTON, 18 MARCH 1947

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*The Acting Secretary of State to the Canadian Ambassador*

DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
WASHINGTON

March 18, 1947

Excellency :

I have the honor to refer to the supplementary trade agreement between the United States of America and Canada with respect to fox furs and skins signed December 13, 1940<sup>2</sup> and effective December 20, 1940, under which a quantitative restriction was imposed on imports of certain fox furs and skins into the United States and the rate of import duty was fixed at 35 percent *ad valorem*. That agreement was negotiated in the light of the emergency existing at that time with respect to marketing of silver or black fox furs and skins. Article VI thereof contains provisions looking toward the termination of the agreement in the event that the emergency conditions which had given rise to it should disappear.

Since in the opinion of the Government of the United States of America the emergency conditions referred to above no longer exist, it is considered desirable to terminate the agreement relating to fox furs and skins in accordance with its terms. This note is, therefore, to record the understanding of our two Governments, reached during the recent conversations on the subject, that the agreement of December 13, 1940 relating to fox furs and skins shall be terminated in whole on May 1, 1947. Such termination will result in removing the quantitative

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<sup>1</sup> Came into force on 18 March 1947 by the exchange of the said notes and, according to their terms, became operative on 1 May 1947.

<sup>2</sup> See p. 173 of this volume.

<sup>3</sup> League of Nations, *Treaty Series*, Vol. CXCIX, p. 91 and Vol. CC, p. 594.

limitations on imports into the United States of silver or black fox furs and skins and the parts thereof and articles made therefrom, and of certain silver or black foxes, and in restoring to 37½ percent *ad valorem* the import duty on silver or black fox furs or skins provided for in item 1519 (c) of Schedule II of the trade agreement between the United States and Canada signed on November 17, 1938.

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

Dean ACHESON  
Acting Secretary of State

His Excellency Hume WRONG  
Ambassador of Canada

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### *The Canadian Ambassador to the Acting Secretary of State*

CANADIAN EMBASSY  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

No 80

March 18, 1947

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your note of today's date, and to confirm the understanding set forth therein regarding the agreement between our two Governments to terminate the supplementary Trade Agreement relating to fox furs and skins, signed December 13th, 1940.

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

H. H. WRONG

The Honourable George C. Marshall  
Secretary of State  
Washington, D. C.