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**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
and  
CANADA**

**Exchange of notes constituting an agreement relating to a  
joint industrial mobilization committee. Ottawa, 12 April  
1949**

*Official text: English.*

*Registered by the United States of America on 4 March 1955.*

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

**Échange de notes constituant un accord visant l'établissement  
d'un comité mixte de mobilisation industrielle. Ottawa,  
12 avril 1949**

*Texte officiel anglais.*

*Enregistré par les États-Unis d'Amérique le 4 mars 1955.*

No. 2789. EXCHANGE OF NOTES CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT<sup>1</sup> BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND CANADA RELATING TO A JOINT INDUSTRIAL MOBILIZATION COMMITTEE. OTTAWA, 12 APRIL 1949

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*The American Ambassador to the Canadian Secretary of State for External Affairs*

AMERICAN EMBASSY

No. 93

Ottawa, Canada, April 12, 1949

Excellency :

I have the honor to inform Your Excellency that the common interests of Canada and the United States in Defence, their proximity and the complementary characteristics of their resources clearly indicate the advantages of coordinating their plans for industrial mobilization, in order that the most effective use may be made of the productive facilities of the two countries.

The functions of the Department of Trade and Commerce and the Industrial Defence Board in Canada and those of the National Security Resources Board and the Munitions Board in the United States suggest that, for the present, it would be appropriate to use these Agencies to assist the two Governments in coordinating their Industrial Mobilization Plans.

Therefore, my Government wishes to propose that the two Governments agree :

- (a) That a Joint Industrial Mobilization Committee be now constituted consisting, on the United States side, of the Chairman of the National Security Resources Board and the Chairman of the Munitions Board and, on the Canadian side, of the Chairman of the Industrial Defence Board and a Senior Official of the Department of Trade and Commerce :
- (b) That the Joint Committee :
  - (i) Exchange information with a view to the coordination of the plans of the United States and Canada for Industrial Mobilization ;

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<sup>1</sup> Came into force on 12 April 1949 by the exchange of the said notes.

- (ii) Consider what recommendations in the field of Industrial Mobilization planning, in areas of common concern, should be made to each Government ;
- (iii) Be empowered to organize Joint Sub-Committees from time to time to facilitate the discharge of its functions ;
- (iv) Be responsible for cooperation with the Permanent Joint Board on Defence on matters of Industrial Mobilization.

If your Government is agreeable to the above Proposals, it is understood that this note, together with your note in reply agreeing thereto, shall constitute an agreement between our two Governments which shall enter in force on the date of your reply and shall remain in force indefinitely subject to termination by either Government at any time on giving six months' notice.

Please accept, Excellency, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

Laurence A. STEINHARDT

His Excellency the Honorable  
The Secretary of State for External Affairs  
Ottawa

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*The Canadian Secretary of State for External Affairs to the American Ambassador*

DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

CANADA

No. 113

Ottawa, April 12, 1949

Excellency,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of Your Excellency's note No. 93 of April 12, 1949, in which you inform me that the Government of the United States of America wishes to propose that our two Governments agree :

[See note I]

2. I have the honour to inform Your Excellency that the Government of Canada concurs in the foregoing proposals and agrees that Your Excellency's note and this reply shall constitute an agreement between our two Governments

which shall enter into force on this day and shall remain in force indefinitely, subject to termination by either Government at any time on giving six month's notice.

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

L. B. PEARSON  
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