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*From The Secretary of State of the United States, Washington,
To The Canadian Minister to the United States, Washington*

January 3, 1940.

SIR,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your note of December 26, 1939, relative to the proposed general treaty providing for the development of the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence Basin. I note especially that the Canadian Government considers it desirable that a number of questions be taken up by representatives of the United States and Canada, and that it suggests a meeting in Ottawa in the near future between members of the public services of the two countries and their technical advisers for the purpose of clarifying a number of the issues involved, such meeting to be informal and preparatory in character.

I refer to the informal conversations which have taken place following the receipt of your note between officers of the Department and you concerning the earliest date on which the suggested conversations could take place in Ottawa, and I am happy to state that arrangements have been made to send a group to Ottawa at the end of this week.

The group will be composed of Messrs. Berle and Hickerson, of this Department, and Mr. Leland Olds, Chairman of the Federal Power Commission. They will arrive in Ottawa on January 7th next to take part in the conversations proposed in your note.

I avail myself of this opportunity to wish you a very Happy New Year.

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

CORDELL HULL.

The Honourable LORING C. CHRISTIE,
Minister of Canada.

No. 6

*From The Secretary of State of the United States, Washington,
To The Canadian Minister to the United States, Washington*

October 14, 1940.

SIR,

I have the honor to refer to the conversations which have taken place recently between officials of the Governments of the United States and Canada in regard to the desirability of taking immediate steps looking to the early development of certain portions of the Great Lakes-