

The Canadian Ambassador to the United States of America to the Secretary of State of the United States of America.

CANADIAN EMBASSY

Washington, D.C.
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No. 17

SIR,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Note of 28 January 1969, which reads as follows:

"I have the honour to refer to recent discussions between representatives of the Government of Canada and the Government of the United States of America regarding transfers of small quantities (up to a net total of ten metric tons) of natural uranium from Canada to the United States of America procured on the basis of contracts entered into after June 3, 1965. The Government of the United States of America is prepared to guarantee that while within its jurisdiction the natural uranium involved in such transfers will be used for peaceful purposes only. Before any transfer of a small quantity is made:

- (a) The Atomic Energy Control Board of Canada will advise the United States Atomic Energy Commission of the proposed transfer specifying the quantity, form, shipper, receiver, and proposed use;
- (b) The United States Atomic Energy Commission will notify the Atomic Energy Control Board of Canada that the transfer may be made and that the guarantee of peaceful use will apply;
- (c) Arrangements of a mutually satisfactory nature will be made between the Atomic Energy Control Board of Canada and the United States Atomic Energy Commission as appropriate concerning other details of the transfer, such as listing in governmental inventories, safeguards on subsequent re-transfers (which shall also be for peaceful purposes only), etc.

I have the honour to propose that, if the foregoing proposal is acceptable to the Government of Canada this Note and your reply to that effect shall constitute an agreement between our two Governments which will enter into force on the date of your reply and remain in effect for ten years."

I have the honour to inform you that the Government of Canada concurs in the proposal contained in your Note, and that your Note and this reply, which is authentic in French and English, shall constitute an agreement between our two Governments which will enter into force on today's date and remain in effect for ten years.

Accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

A. E. RITCHIE

The Honourable
William P. Rogers,
The Secretary of State,
Washington, D.C.