EXCHANGE OF NOTES BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE CONFEDERATION OF SWITZERLAND TO RENEW THE AGREEMENT OF MARCH 6, 1958 TO PROVIDE FOR CO-OPERATION IN THE PEACEFUL USES OF ATOMIC ENERGY

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The Ambassador of Canada to the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Switzerland

Berne, December 1, 1971

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SIR,

I have the honour to refer to the "Agreement between the Government of Canada and the Government of the Confederation of Switzerland to provide for Cooperation in the Peaceful Uses of Atomic Energy" of March 6, 1958, which entered into force between our two Governments on July 31, 1958.

In an exchange of Notes dated April 23, 1969, that Agreement was renewed for a period of three years dating from July 31, 1968. As that Agreement, as renewed, terminated on July 31, 1971, I have the honour to propose that the Government of Canada and the Government of the Confederation of Switzerland renew the Agreement for a further period of one year and that, except for denunciation by either party six months before its expiration, the Agreement be automatically renewed each year thereafter by tacit agreement.

I have the honour to further propose that, in accordance with paragraph 3 of Article IV of the Agreement, the International Atomic Energy Agency be requested, at an appropriate time, to apply safeguards to all nuclear material now subject to the provisions of the present Agreement between the Government of Canada and the Government of the Confederation of Switzerland, and that any future transfer of nuclear material from Canada to Switzerland be covered by safeguards administered by the IAEA.

If the foregoing proposals are acceptable to the Government of the Confederation of Switzerland, I have the honour to propose that this Note, and your reply, the English and French versions of which are equally authentic, constitute an Agreement between our two Governments that enters into force effective August 1, 1971.

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

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