

EXCHANGE OF NOTES (April 23 and June 23, 1952) BETWEEN CANADA AND THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT REGARDING
ALLOCATION OF TELEVISION CHANNELS

*The Ambassador of the United States of America to Canada
to the Secretary of State for External Affairs*

No. 262

UNITED STATES EMBASSY,
OTTAWA, April 23, 1952.

EXCELLENCY:

I have the honor to enclose a draft agreement on the subject of the assignment of frequency channels to television stations along the United States-Canadian border agreed upon by representatives of our two countries during recent discussions in Chicago.

The agreement concerns itself with the assignment and utilization of 82 television channels between 54 and 890 megacycles within an area of 250 miles on either side of the border between the United States and Canada, and establishes certain technical requirements relating to the position, power and equipment of the television stations falling within the 250 miles radius.

Provision is made for changes in frequency assignments, and for continuous cooperation between the appropriate agencies of our governments to minimize interference and obtain the maximum efficiency in the use of television channels.

Consideration was given to the use of specific frequencies for offset carrier operation, but it was decided this was a routine matter in connection with station assignments which could be worked out later and need not be contained in the agreement.

I should be grateful to learn whether the Government of Canada agrees with this draft and if so if your government would agree to my suggestion that this Note and your reply should constitute the Agreement between our two countries on the subject of the assignment of frequency channels to television stations along the United States-Canadian border, to be effective as of the date of your reply.

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

STANLEY WOODWARD.

Enclosure.