"This Agreement shall come into force on the date of signature and shall remain in force for three years. The Agreement shall automatically be extended for successive terms of three years if neither Contracting Party notifies the other of its intent to terminate the Agreement at last three months before its expiry."

I have the honour to propose that if the foregoing is acceptable to your Government, this Note, together with your reply, shall constitute an Agreement between our two Governments which shall enter into force on the date of your reply.

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

LI PENG Vice-Premier of the State Council, People's Republic of China

The Honourable James Kelleher, Minister for International Trade of Canada.