

Minister of Foreign Affairs



Ministre des affaires étrangères

Ottawa, Canada K1A 0G2

Washington, June 16, 2000

Note No. JLAB-0068

Dear Madam Secretary,

I have the honour to refer to the Agreement between our two Governments concerning the organization and the operation of the North American Aerospace Defence Command (NORAD), originally signed by the Government of Canada and the Government of the United States of America on May 12, 1958, and most recently renewed by the Exchange of Notes of March 28, 1996, effective May 12, 1996, which extended the Agreement to May 12, 2001.

I have the further honour to refer to recent discussions that have taken place between representatives of our two governments regarding cooperation between Canada and the United States of America with respect to the NORAD Agreement.

As the NORAD Agreement is due to expire on May 12, 2001, I have the honour to propose that this Agreement be extended for an additional five-year period, effective May 12, 2001.

If the Government of the United States of America agrees with the proposal set forth herein, I have the honour to propose that this Note, which is equally authentic in English and French, and your Note in reply to that effect, shall constitute an Agreement between our two governments, which shall enter into force on the date of your Note, with effect from May 12, 2001.

Please accept, Madam Secretary, the assurances of my highest consideration.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lloyd Axworthy".

Lloyd Axworthy

The Honourable Madeleine Korbelt Albright
Secretary of State
The United States of America