

EXCHANGE OF NOTES BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA AND THE
GOVERNMENT OF THE NETHERLANDS PROVIDING FOR A CONTINUATION
FOR A PERIOD OF THREE YEARS OF CANADA'S NATO AIR TRAINING
PROGRAMME WITH RESPECT TO AIRCREW TRAINEES

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*The Canadian Ambassador to the Netherlands to the Secretary
of State for Foreign Affairs of the Netherlands*

CANADIAN EMBASSY

The Hague, April 12, 1957.

EXCELLENCY:

The Government of Canada has given careful consideration to the difficulties experienced by your Government in making transition from training of your air crew students in Canada under the NATO Training Plan to a suitable national training scheme, and has decided in the circumstances to continue provision of a limited amount of Canadian training for a reasonable time. It is the understanding of the appropriate Canadian authorities that the Netherlands defence authorities are prepared to make token payment of five thousand dollars per student pilot entrant and two thousand dollars per student navigator entrant while this arrangement is in force, and that at some mutually convenient time during the third year thereof discussions will again take place on a bilateral basis on the need or otherwise of extending it for a further period.

2. In accordance with recommendations made by the Supreme Allied Commander of Europe and discussed between the Chairman of the Canadian Chiefs of Staff Committee and your Chief of Staff at the meeting of the NATO Military Committee in Washington in October, 1956, the Royal Canadian Air Force will make available annual training accommodation for 30 student pilots of the Royal Netherlands Air Force to be trained in Canada beginning with the quota year 1957-1958.

3. This arrangement will be treated as a continuation of the Netherlands quota of the NATO Air Training Plan after the termination of the present NATO intakes on June 30, 1957. The number of pupils agreed upon will be phased into the Canadian training system in approximately equal contingents throughout each training year from July 1 to June 30. The exact reporting date and size of each draft are to be subject to agreement arrived at between the Netherlands Air Attaché in Ottawa and the Director of Air Training, RCAF.

4. The terms and conditions of training will be a continuation of those existing on present NATO Training Plan subject to such modifications as might mutually be agreed to from time to time in the light of future conditions. It will, however, be appreciated that in view of the small number of trainees entering