EXCHANGES OF NOTES BETWEEN CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA REGARDING FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR FURNISHING SUPPLIES AND PORT SERVICES TO VISITING NAVAL VESSELS OF EITHER COUNTRY

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

THE FOREIGN SERVICE OF THE AND AND AND UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

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SIR:

I have the honor to refer to recent conversations between Canadian and United States officials concerning the enactment authorizing the Secretary of the Navy to furnish certain supplies and services to foreign naval vessels at United States ports and naval bases provided a prior agreement conferring reciprocal rights on the United States, and covering reimbursement therefor, has been negotiated with the country concerned. These agreements will obviate the necessity for obtaining advances of funds from naval vessels of friendly foreign nations for routine port services and facilitate the furnishing of their immediate supply requirements at United States naval activities.

My Government would be happy to conclude an agreement for such purposes with Canada and I understand that Canadian officials are likeminded.

The terms of the agreement my Government would be prepared to enter into are set forth in the Annex to this Note. I suggest that if these terms are acceptable to your Government, your reply to that effect and this Note be considered an agreement which would come into force ninety days from the date of your reply and apply to all supplies and services furnished on or after such date. The agreement could be terminated by either Government by giving notice of such termination at least ninety days in advance of the effective date thereof.

Accept, Sir, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

R. DOUGLAS STUART

Enclosure:

Annex

The Honourable
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Ottawa.