Upon the entry into force of the aforementioned safeguards regime between the Government of the United States and the International Atomic Energy Agency, the Energy Research and Development Administration may permit material subject to this interim procedure to be held and used in facilities in the United States which are subject to the provisions of the agreement between the Government of the United States and the International Atomic Energy Agency for the application of safeguards in the United States, or in such other facilities as may be mutually agreed.

To facilitate implementation of this procedure, the Atomic Energy Control Board will advise the Energy Research Development Administration prior to the import into the United States of natural uranium subject to this interim procedure.

If the above proposal is agreeable to your government, this interim understanding shall enter into force upon receipt by the Embassy of written notification to that effect. The understanding shall remain in effect until (I) the Government of the United States and Canada have established the mutually acceptable procedure referred to in the third paragraph of this note or (II) for a period of two years, whichever occurs earlier, provided, however, that with respect to any natural uranium in the United States which has been delivered pursuant to this interim procedure, the understanding shall remain in effect until the mutually acceptable procedure is established.

The Embassy of the United States of America avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Department of External Affairs the assurances of its highest consideration.

Embassy of the United States of America

Ottawa, March 18, 1976