EXCHANGE OF NOTES (August 17 and 20, 1959) BETWEEN CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA RENEWING PERMISSION FOR THE USE BY THE U.S. ARMY OF THE HAINES CUT-OFF ROAD FOR THE WINTER MAINTENANCE OF THE HAINES-FAIRBANKS PIPELINE

I

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

THE FOREIGN SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

No. 63

The Ambassador of the United States of America presents his compliments to the Secretary of State for External Affairs and has the honor to refer to the Agreement regarding winter maintenance of the Haines-Fairbanks Pipeline (External Affairs Note No. 13 of January 16, 1957\*, and Embassy Note No. 178 of January 17, 1957).\* The permission granted by the Canadian Government under this Agreement to the United States Army to use the Haines Cut-off Road for winter maintenance of the Haines-Fairbanks Pipeline expired on July 1, 1958, as specified in subparagraph (i) of Note No. 13\* from the Department of External Affairs.

Fortunately, there were no breakdowns in the operation of the Haines-Fairbanks Pipeline necessitating the opening of the Haines Cut-off Road during either the winter of 1957 when this Agreement was in effect, or this past winter. The United States Army authorities, however, consider it desirable to have this Agreement extended as a precaution against future winter difficulties along the Haines-Fairbanks Pipeline.

Accordingly, the Ambassador would appreciate the consideration of the Canadian Government with a view to extending until July 1961 its permission for the United States Army to use the Haines Cut-off Road for winter maintenance of the Haines-Fairbanks Pipeline, under the same conditions as contained in subparagraphs (a) through (h) of Note No. 13, dated January 16, 1957,\* from the Department of External Affairs.

Should this request be approved by the Canadian Government, the Ambassador would also appreciate confirmation that the assistance of the Canadian Northwest Highway System would continue to be available on a reimbursable basis in the event snow removal operations on the road become necessary, in accordance with the conditions outlined in the Embassy's Note No. 158 of December 10, 1957.

R. B. W.

August 17, 1959.

II

The Department of External Affairs to the Ambassador of the United States of America to Canada

DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

No. 230

The Secretary of State for External Affairs presents his compliments to the Ambassador of the United States of America, and has the honour to refer

<sup>\*</sup>Canada Treaty Series 1957, No. 1.