

duly authorized representative thereof, in the interest of defense and security, or because of safety, operational or logistic factors, or availability of space, facilities or services.

ARTICLE V

The Government of Canada for reasons of security or defense may close the Bases at Stephenville and Argentia to civil use provided that civil aircraft operating for strictly military purposes under the supervision of the United States National Military Establishment will not be affected.

ARTICLE VI

In light of the military nature of the air bases at Stephenville and Argentia, the civil air operations authorized by this Agreement shall be subject to and conditioned upon the establishment of necessary arrangements between the administrative authorities of the two Contracting Parties concerning security control, customs, immigration and similar services, and both Contracting Parties engage to use their best efforts to arrive at such arrangements at the earliest possible date; provided, however, that no obligation is assumed by the Government of the United States of America to provide housing, messing, transportation, or any other passenger or traffic service required in connection with the civil aviation operations authorized by this Agreement. Civil aviation operations at Stephenville and Argentia provided for in this Agreement shall not be initiated until the operators of civil aircraft authorized pursuant to this Agreement shall have made adequate provision of all terminal facilities, including servicing, maintenance, passenger and cargo, customs, immigration and health, which they require.

If these proposals are acceptable to the Government of Canada this note, and your reply thereto accepting the proposals, shall be regarded as placing on record the understanding arrived at between the two Governments concerning this matter.

Please accept, Excellency, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

LAURENCE A. STEINHARDT.

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

DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

OTTAWA, June 4, 1949.

No. 182

EXCELLENCY:

I have the honour to acknowledge your Note No. 134 of June 4, 1949, in which you propose that an agreement be entered into between the Governments of the United States and Canada relating to civil aviation at the Leased Bases in Newfoundland.

The agreement as proposed in your Note is acceptable to the Government of Canada. Your Note and this reply are regarded as placing on record the understanding arrived at between the two Governments.

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

A. D. P. HEENEY

*for the Secretary of State for
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