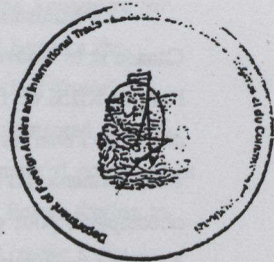


this Note, which is equally authentic in English and French, and the affirmative reply, constitute an Agreement between the Governments that shall enter into force on the date of the reply.

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

Ottawa, 17 April, 1997



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