Washington takes the position that the legislation passed by the two countries is concurrent as defined in the Treaty, and therefore the approval of the project by this Commission is unnecessary.

Yours sincerely,

C. MAGRATH.

O. D. SKELTON, Esq., Ph.D., Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs, Ottawa.

ENCLOSURE 1 IN No. 178

From the Chairman, International Joint Commission, to the Minister of the Interior

July 20th, 1925.

DEAR MR. STEWART,-

Re the Application of the Buffalo and Fort Erie Public Bridge Company

We have received from our Washington office the enclosed correspondence, consisting of copies of the following:

1. Letter from the Department of State to Secretary, International Joint Commission, dated July 16, 1925.

2. Letter from Department of State to Messrs. Wilcox and Van Allen, dated February 25, 1925.

3. Letter to the Secretary of State from Secretary, International Joint Commission, dated July 17, 1925.

Yours very truly,

C. A. MAGRATH.

Honourable Charles Stewart,
Minister of the Interior,
Ottawa.

P.S.—Since dictating the above, we have received a telegram from the Acting Premier of Ontario, as per copy enclosed.

ENCLOSURE 2 IN No. 178

From the Acting Premier of Ontario to the Secretary, International Joint Commission

Telegram.

TORONTO, ONTARIO, July 20, 1925.

LAWRENCE J. BURPEE, International Joint Commission, Ottawa, Ontario.

Referring to your letter July third re Buffalo and Fort Erie Bridge, subject to satisfactory arrangements being made with the Department of Lands and Forests regarding Lands to be leased from the Crown and with private owners whose interests are involved, the Government of Ontario has no objection to offer to the proposed bridge.

GEO. S. HENRY,
Acting Premier.

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