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The Ambassador of Canada to the Secretary of State of the United States of America

No. 135

Washington, D.C., June 1, 1971

SIR,

I have the honour to refer to your Note of June 1, 1971, which referred to the Memorandum of Agreement signed on December 2, 1970 by the Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development of Canada and on April 20, 1971 by the Secretary of the Interior of the United States concerning mutual co-operation between Canada and the United States in the detection and suppression of forest fires in a buffer zone along the boundary separating the Yukon Territory of Canada and the State of Alaska.

I have the honour to inform you that the Canadian Government approves the provisions of the Memorandum of Agreement and confirms the interpretation of paragraphs 8 and 9 thereof as stated in your Note under reference. I have the honour to confirm therefore that your Note and this reply, which is authentic in English and French, constitutes an Agreement between the Government of Canada and the Government of the United States which enters into force on the date of this Note giving effect to the above Memorandum of Agreement.

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

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