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

Washington, May 6, 1974

EXCELLENCY:

I have the honor to refer to the Agreement between the United States of America and Canada for Promotion of Safety on the Great Lakes by Means of Radio, 1973, and the Technical Regulations annexed thereto.

Instruments of ratification of the Agreement having been exchanged today, the Agreement will come into force, pursuant to Article XX, on May 6, 1975, one year after the date of exchange of instruments of ratification. Since, under the provisions of the Agreement, the Agreement can no longer enter into force before January 1, 1975, it will not be possible to apply the provisions of paragraphs 2 and 3 of Regulation 2 which relate to an interim period between the date of coming into force of the Agreement and January 1, 1975. Further, it is understood that the effective date of paragraph 1 of Regulation 2 will be May 6, 1975 rather than January 1, 1975.

The Government of the United States would appreciate receiving confirmation that the Government of Canada concurs in the foregoing.

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

KENNETH RUSH
Acting Secretary of State

His Excellency
Marcel Cadieux,
Ambassador of Canada.