EXCHANGE OF NOTES (December 20, 1955 and April 23, 1956) BETWEEN CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA EXTENDING PARTICIPATION IN THE CANADIAN UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ACT TO CANADIAN EMPLOYEES OF THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES IN CANADA

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

The Secretary of State presents his compliments to His Excellency the Ambassador of Canada and has the honor to refer to past representations of the Canadian Government concerning the extension of the Canadian Unemployment Insurance Act to Canadian employees of the United States Armed Services in Canada. The Canadian Government has urged that favorable consideration be given to such a move. Most recently, the Ambassador's aide-memoire of June 14, 1955, inquired what progress had been made in this direction.

After consultation with the Department of Defense, it has been decided that compliance with the Unemployment Insurance Act will enable local employees of the United States Armed Services to have the same conditions of employment and work as those available to other employees in Canada. The Department of Defense is of the opinion that United States Armed Services in Canada should participate on behalf of their Canadian employees. Owing to budgetary difficulties, however, adherence to the terms of the Act cannot become effective until July 1, 1956.

It is noted that United States participation depends upon the concurrence both of this Government and the Canadian Government. Consequently, this note may be regarded as a statement of the United States Government's willingness, subject to the availability of funds, to participate, commencing July 1, 1956, in the unemployment insurance program on behalf of Canadians employed by United States defense agencies in Canada.

Department of State,

Washington. December 20, 1955.