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*The Secretary of State for External Affairs to the
Chargé d'Affaires a.i. of the United States Embassy
in Canada.*

DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

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Sir:

I have the honour to refer to discussions which have taken place between representatives of the Governments of Canada and the United States of America concerning new arrangements whereby the Churchill Research Range might continue in operation for a further period following the expiration, in June 1965, of the Agreement of June 14, 1960 concerning the utilization of the existing Upper Atmosphere Research Facilities at Fort Churchill, Manitoba.

These discussions revealed that the mutual interests of Canada and the United States would be advanced by the continuing availability of the Range. I therefore have the honour to propose the conclusion of an Agreement between our two Governments to provide for the operation, maintenance and support and further joint use of the Churchill Research Range in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in the Annex of this Note. This Agreement would supersede the Agreement signed at Ottawa, on June 14, 1960, as extended, which will expire on December 31, 1965.

If this proposal meets with the approval of the Government of the United States, I also have the honour to propose that this Note, together with the Annex hereto, and your Note in reply to that effect, shall constitute an Agreement on this matter between our two Governments, which shall enter into force on January 1, 1966 and remain in effect until June 30, 1970 and for such additional periods as may be mutually agreed. I further propose that either Government may, after consulting with the other Government, and upon the giving of suitable advance notice in writing of its intention, terminate the Agreement at any time. Each Government agrees that in determining the amount of such advance notice which it gives to the other Government, it shall be guided by consideration of the time required by the other Government to make alternative arrangements for conducting its rocket research programme.

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

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