



ROYAL NETHERLANDS EMBASSY

Ottawa, December 24, 1996

Excellency,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of Your Excellency's Note IDC-1550 of December 24, 1996, which reads as follows:

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To: Mr. Arend H. Huitzing,
Chargé d'Affaires a.i.
Royal Netherlands Embassy
Ottawa

Dear Sir,

I have the honour to refer to recent discussions between officials of the Government of Canada and of the Government of the Kingdom of the Netherlands concerning our mutual objective of the continuation of the training of Netherlands Armed Forces in Canada which is currently being conducted pursuant to the Agreement between our two Governments constituted by the Exchange of Notes of 4 and 5 December, 1986.

As a result of these discussions, I have the honour to propose that the aforementioned Agreement and the Schedule of Terms and Conditions attached to it be hereby terminated and replaced by a new Agreement in the following terms:

1. The Kingdom of the Netherlands shall be permitted to train Netherlands Armed Forces units, use land, air space and installations, and station personnel and equipment at sites in Canada as may be mutually selected by the Minister of National Defence of Canada and the Minister of Defence of the Kingdom of the Netherlands in accordance with the terms and conditions set out in this Agreement and the Memoranda of Understanding subsumed under this Agreement. The periods of such training, use, stationing and the activities to be carried out, shall be specified in the relevant Memorandum of Understanding.

To: His Excellency Lloyd Axworthy
Minister of Foreign Affairs
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