

**EXCHANGE OF NOTES (May 8 and 18, 1967) BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA CONCERNING EARLY OPERATION OF THE DUNCAN RESERVOIR IN THE COLUMBIA RIVER BASIN.**

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*The Secretary of State for External Affairs to the Ambassador of the United States in Canada.*

**DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS**

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EXCELLENCY:

I have the honour to refer to the Treaty between Canada and the United States of America relating to the cooperative development of water resources of the Columbia River Basin signed at Washington D.C. on January 17, 1961<sup>(1)</sup> and in particular to Article IV(4).

It now appears likely that the discharge works of the project specified in Article II(2) (c) of the Treaty will be closed on or about April 30, 1967 and that a trial filling and test operation period will be necessary before commencement of full operation of the project.

This possibility has been recognized by the United States and Canadian entities, and they have agreed upon special arrangements for a trial operation should circumstances described in the immediately preceding paragraph occur. These arrangements are described in the attached document entitled, "Columbia River Treaty: Special Operating Program for the Duncan Reservoir for the Period April 30, 1967 through March 31, 1968".

I have the honour to propose that this special operating program be made effective and confirmed by our two Governments and that the two Governments empower and charge the entities, pursuant to Article IV(4) of the Treaty to carry out its provisions.

I have the honour further to propose that, if this proposal meets with the approval of the Government of the United States of America, this note and attachment thereto, together with your reply, shall constitute an agreement between our two Governments relating to the Treaty with effect from April 1, 1967.

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

**PAUL MARTIN**  
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External Affairs*

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Ambassador of the United States of America,  
Ottawa, Canada.

<sup>(1)</sup> Canada Treaty Series 1964 No. 2.