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## EXCHANGES OF NOTES ON COLUMBIA RIVER

Text of Notes exchanged between the United States and Canadian Governments regarding the Columbia River.

## United States Note

The Secretary of State presents his compliments to His Excellency the Ambassador of Canada and has the honour to refer to the progress report submitted to the Government of Canada and the Government of the United States of America on September 28, 1960, by the United States of America and Canadian Delegations which have been engaged in negotiations looking toward the formulation of an agreement for cooperative development of the water resources of the Columbia River Basin.

The Government of the United States of America has found this report acceptable as a basis for the drafting of a Treaty. If the Government of Canada should also come to this conclusion, the Government of the United States of America proposes that representatives of the two Governments undertake the preparation of a draft Treaty on the basis of the Progress Report, with a view to its submission to the two Governments by the end of 1960 if possible.

## Canadian Note

The Ambassador of Canada presents his compliments to the Secretary of State and has the honour to acknowledge receipt of the Secretary of State's Note of October 19, 1960, concerning the Progress Report submitted to the Government of Canada and the Government of the United States of America on September 28, 1960, by the United States of America and Canadian Delegations which have been engaged in negotiations looking toward the formulation of an agreement for cooperative development of the water resources of the Columbia River Basin.

The Government of Canada has also found this report acceptable as a basis for the drafting of a treaty and it accepts the proposal of the Government of the United States of America as outlined in the Secretary of State's Note of October 19, 1960, concerning the arrangements for proceeding with the preparation of a draft Treaty.

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