



reimburse the Canadian Government for one-half of the joint expenses properly incurred by the Commission in connection with the remedial works in question, the full amount of such expenses having been paid by the Government of Canada, it being understood that in the settlement of such amounts the procedure now observed by the two governments in settling the joint expenses of the Commission will be followed.

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

*For the Secretary of State:*

G. HOWLAND SHAW.

As you point out the estimated cost of the works recommended, which was in million dollars, would in accordance with Article III, paragraph 2 of the Convention be shared equally between the two governments. The Government of the United States has approved the recommendation of the Commission as set forth in its letter and report of January 11, 1944, and the accompanying documents including the "General Engineering Report Covering Fraser River Fisheries Project" and the first Delivery Appropriation Act, approved April 1, 1944 (Public Law 379, 78th Congress), contained the following appropriation:

INTERNATIONAL PACIFIC SALMON FISHERIES COMMISSION

Restoration of salmon runs Fraser River system: For the share of the United States of expenses incident to the work of improving facilities for salmon fishing in the Fraser River by the International Pacific Salmon Fisheries Commission under the convention between the United States and Canada, concluded May 26, 1930, including personal services; traveling expenses; rent; purchase maintenance, repair, and operation of not more than four motor-propelled passenger-carrying vehicles; purchase of fishing instruments, and equipment; construction of fishways; removal of obstructions and stream improvement; construction of warehouse for storage of equipment; and such other expenses as the Secretary of State may deem proper to be expended under his direction. \$1,000,000, to remain available until expended.

The Department observes from paragraph 2 of your note that it is acceptable to the Canadian Government that the regular procedure whereby expenses incurred by the Commission are paid by the Canadian Government should be reimbursed later by Canada from the United States, should be subject to the above-quoted appropriation. The Government of the United States agrees to this proposal, and subject to the limits of the above-quoted appropriation, will