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

EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

No. 320 Ottawa, June 23, 1967.

SIR:

I have the honor to refer to your Note N. X-169, dated May 10, 1967, regarding arrangements for the winter maintenance of the northern and southern portions of the Haines Road.

The Government of the United States of America is pleased to have the assurances of the Government of Canada that it is agreeable to assuming full responsibility for the winter maintenance of that part of the Haines Road which lies in Canada starting with the 1967-1968 winter season. It is noted that the assumption of this responsibility by the Government of Canada is conditional on the section of the highway which lies in Alaska being kept open by te Alaskan authorities in the same manner as at present.

The State of Alaska has been consulted with regard to the above-mentioned condition. It has given complete assurances that it will continue to assume responsibility for both winter and summer maintenance of that portion of the Haines Road lying within its jurisdiction.

It is agreed that your Note No. X-169 and this reply thereto shall constitute an agreement between our two governments on this subject effective on the date of this note.

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

JOSEPH W. SCOTT,

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