The Ambassador of the United States of America to the Secretary of State for External Affairs for Canada

Ottawa, August 30, 1977

No. 209

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your Note, No. FLO-1129, of July 28, 1977, which reads as follows:

"Excellency:

"I have the honour to refer to the Agreement between our two countries concerning the establishment of a Joint Marine Pollution Contingency Plan, constituted by an Exchange of Notes done in Ottawa on June 19, 1974 and to recent discussions between representatives of our two Governments concerning the addition of a further annex (Annex IV) to the Plan related to waters off the Arctic Coast of Canada and the United States in the Beaufort Sea.

"I have the honour to propose that Annex IV, dated June 10, 1977, be added to the

Plan and that it be given the same effect under the Plan as Annexes I to III.

"If the foregoing proposals are acceptable to the Government of the United States, I have the honour to propose that this Note, which is equally authentic in English and French, and your Excellency's reply to that effect shall constitute an Agreement between Canada and the United States which shall enter into force on the date of your reply.

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

I have the honor to inform you that the foregoing proposals are acceptable to the Government of the United States of America and to confirm that your Note which is equally authentic in English and French, and this reply shall constitute an Agreement between our two Governments which shall enter into force on the date of this reply.

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

THOMAS O. ENDERS

The Honorable Donald C. Jamieson Secretary of State for External Affairs Ottawa