

**EXCHANGE OF NOTES BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA AND  
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA CON-  
STITUTING AN AGREEMENT CONCERNING THE CONTINUED USE  
OF THE CHURCHILL RESEARCH RANGE**

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Excellency:

I have the honor to refer to the Agreement between the United States of America and Canada concerning activities of the United States at the Churchill Research Range, with annex, effected by exchange of notes at Ottawa November 16 and December 18, 1970,<sup>(1)</sup> as extended by exchange of notes June 29, 1973,<sup>(2)</sup> and June 8 and July 30, 1976<sup>(3)</sup> and to the recent discussions between representatives of our two governments concerning support of activities at the Churchill Range as well as other facilities of the National Research Council of Canada.

By its terms, the Agreement as amended will expire on June 30, 1979, unless extended for additional periods. Because of the continued mutual interest of both countries in the accommodation of United States activities at space research facilities of the National Research Council of Canada, I have the honor to propose that the Agreement be amended and extended for an additional period of three years.

It is my understanding that in the future the new National Research Council of Canada facility at Cimli, Manitoba, rather than the Churchill Research Range, will be the focal point for rocket activities, but that such activities will also continue to be accommodated at the Churchill Range and other established or new sites on an expeditionary basis. I also understand that launching at Churchill Research Range of meteorological rockets furnished by the United States Air Force as provided in Article I, Para 3 of the annex is not contemplated after June 30, 1979. In view of these developments and the growing Canadian balloon launching capability since establishment in 1976 of a National Research Council of Canada mobile scientific balloon facility, I have the honor to further propose that the annex to the 1970

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<sup>(1)</sup> Canada Treaty Series 1970 No. 32

<sup>(2)</sup> Canada Treaty Series 1973 No. 25

<sup>(3)</sup> Canada Treaty Series 1976 No. 39