

EXCHANGE OF NOTES (JULY 19 AND 22, 1944) BETWEEN CANADA
AND THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA RENEWING CANADA'S
PERMISSION TO PAN AMERICAN AIRWAYS INCORPORATED TO
FLY OVER CANADA BETWEEN JUNEAU (ALASKA) AND
SEATTLE (WASHINGTON)

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

EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

OTTAWA, July 19, 1944.

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SIR,
I have the honor to refer to note No. 9 of January 26, 1944, extending authorization for Pan American Airways to operate over British Columbia between Seattle and Juneau, Alaska, and to stop at Prince George, British Columbia. In this note it was stated that should the United States Government desire an extension of the six months' permission the Canadian Government would be glad to give consideration to such a request.

Pursuant to instructions received, I am requesting the Canadian Government to renew the existing permit for Pan American Airways to operate across British Columbia on this service (proceeding normally over the direct route between Seattle and Ketchikan and when weather conditions require on the inside route) together with the privilege of refuelling when necessary at Comox, Port Hardy, and Prince George.

Further, I am directed to express the desire of the United States Government to see these rights granted for an indefinite period, subject to cancellation on six months' notice. Should, however, the Canadian Government feel that it can only grant the renewal on the same conditions as heretofore such a decision would be acceptable.

It is understood that the airports at Comox and Port Hardy are under the administration of the R.C.A.F., and that arrangements will have to be made by Pan American Airways with the R.C.A.F. as to the use of these facilities for refuelling. This would not, of course, involve the grant of traffic privileges at these points.

As the existing permit granted to Pan American Airways expires on July 26th it will be appreciated if early consideration can be given to the extension as set forth above.

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

RAY ATHERTON