

In view of the fact that it is hoped to initiate construction in the St. Mary's River at the earliest date practicable in the event the Canadian Government grants its approval, the United States Government suggests that any detailed information required by the Canadian Government in its consideration of the project or concerning the conduct of the proposed operations be subject to informal discussions between the District Engineer, Department of Public Works, London, Ontario, Canada and Colonel Peter C. Hyzer, District Engineer, United States Corps of Engineers, Detroit, Michigan.

Enclosures:

1. One photostatic copy each of "Summary Sheets of Project Features, Great Lakes Connecting Channels—St. Mary's River Section"; "Summary Sheet of Project Features, Great Lakes Connecting Channels—St. Clair River Section".
2. One photostatic copy each of maps showing "Authorized Channel Improvements—St. Mary's River, Michigan"; and "Authorized Channel Improvements, St. Clair River, Michigan".\*

Embassy of the United States of America,  
Ottawa, November 30, 1956.

#### ANNEX I

##### SUMMARY SHEETS OF PROJECT FEATURES, GREAT LAKES CONNECTING CHANNELS—ST. MARY'S RIVER SECTION

1. *Deepening of the upper St. Mary's River:* The section to be deepened extends from Gros Cap Shoals at Lake Superior to the locks at the St. Mary's Falls Canal. The improvement depths will vary from 28 to 30 feet, depending on the exposure and nature of the bottom material. Present depths are 26 and 27 feet. The excavated material will be disposed of in deep water in Whitefish Bay.

2. *Deepening of the lower St. Mary's River:* The section to be deepened extends from the north end of St. Joseph Island through Middle Neebish Channel to the south end of Neebish Island. The excavated material would be placed in spoil banks along the channel. It will probably be necessary to rehandle the material by dragline to place the material in the shallow water alongside the channel.

3. Deepening of the lower St. Mary's River will not affect lake levels as the entire outflow from Lake Superior is controlled by the compensating gates and the power plants at St. Mary's Falls.

#### ANNEX II

##### SUMMARY SHEET OF PROJECT FEATURES, GREAT LAKES CONNECTION CHANNELS—ST. CLAIR RIVER SECTION

1. *Head of St. Clair River.* It is proposed to deepen the channel from its present depth of 26.0 feet to the authorized depth of 30.0 feet below low water datum, in the vicinity of Fort Gratiot Light. The excavated material would be disposed in deep water in the U.S. waters of Lake Huron.

\* Maps not included.