

EXCHANGE OF NOTES BETWEEN CANADA AND FRANCE CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT ON THE COLD WEATHER TESTING IN THE WINTER OF 1981 AT A CANADIAN ARMED FORCES WEAPONS TESTING RANGE OF A FRENCH HELICOPTER AND ANTI-TANK MISSILES

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Excellency,

I have the honour to refer to the Embassy's Note No. 84, dated January 19, 1981, in which the Embassy requested Canadian consent to the execution of cold-weather tests of a Gazelle helicopter and eleven "HOT" anti-tank missiles by French military and civilian technicians at the Canadian Armed Forces weapons testing site at Cold Lake, Alberta, during the winter of 1981.

I wish to inform you that the Government of Canada consents to the proposed tests, on the following conditions:

- (a) The provisions of the Agreement between the Parties to the North Atlantic Treaty regarding the Status of their Forces (Agreement on the Status of the NATO Forces), signed in London on June 19, 1951, as applied in Canada by the Visiting Forces Act (Revised Statutes of Canada, 1970, Chapter V-6), shall be applicable, subject to the provisions of paragraph (c) hereunder.
- (b) The twelve (12) technical experts from industry who will participate in these tests shall be considered to be members of a "civilian component" as defined in sub-paragraph (b) of paragraph 1 of Article I of the Agreement on the Status of the NATO Forces.
- (c) Any settlement of damages caused in the execution of the above-mentioned tests, and any payment of compensation shall be carried out in accordance with the following provisions:
 - (1) Each Government waives all its claims against the other Government for damage to its property or injury to its personnel;
- (a) If such damage was caused by a member or an employee of the Armed Forces of the other Government,