

case the particular objective was to secure the United States approval to the principle that waters of the Ogoki and Long Lake watersheds after diversion into the Great Lakes system, should be considered as wholly Canadian throughout the international reaches of the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence system, and be available to Ontario throughout that reach for the development of power (specifically in the St. Mary, Niagara and Upper St. Lawrence rivers).

The replies on the part of Canada expressed complete sympathy with the objectives of the Province and assured full co-operation of the Federal Government in the Hydro Commission's efforts to secure additional power at Niagara.

The replies recalled the efforts already made to secure Treaties on both the Niagara and Ogoki matters, viz. the 1929 Niagara Convention and the 1932 St. Lawrence Treaty, which besides involving the waterway, the Chicago diversion, compensation works in Niagara and St. Clair rivers and co-operation in developing the power in the international section of the St. Lawrence, included under Article VIII, especially designed for the Ogoki and Long Lakes cases, the principle of exclusive national use of water diverted from a national watershed into the Great Lakes system and specifically providing that such diverted water should at all times be available to the country diverting the same for use for power below the point of diversion so long as it constitutes a part of boundary waters.

The difficulty of proceeding with the consideration of the Ogoki and Long Lake and Niagara questions independently of the major treaty situation in the face of the known attitude of the United States in respect to Great Lakes treaty policies, was pointed out to Ontario in the course of this correspondence. Assurances of continued co-operation with Ontario towards the securing of Ontario's power objectives were repeated.

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