


CANADA



**EXCHANGE OF NOTES (JUNE 12, 1961) BETWEEN CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA CONCERNING IMPROVEMENT OF THE AIR DEFENCE OF THE CANADA-UNITED STATES REGION OF NATO; THE DEFENCE PRODUCTION SHARING PROGRAMME OF THE TWO GOVERNMENTS AND THE PROVISION OF ASSISTANCE TO CERTAIN OTHER NATO GOVERNMENTS.**

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

EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

OTTAWA, June 12, 1961

No. 604

SIR:

I have the honor to refer to certain discussions which have taken place between representatives of the Government of Canada and of the Government of the United States. These discussions have been concerned with means for ensuring the most effective use of certain resources which each Government is prepared to make available, pursuant to the objectives of the North Atlantic Treaty, for improving the air defense of the Canada-United States Region of NATO, for furthering the Defense Production Sharing Program of our two Governments, and for the provision of assistance to certain other NATO Governments.

I now propose, on behalf of the Government of the United States, that the provisions set out in the Memorandum of Understanding annexed hereto, which accord with the understanding reached between representatives of the two Governments, should govern the assumption by the Government of Canada of the responsibility for certain continental radar defense stations hitherto the responsibility of the United States, the acquisition of F-101B aircraft by the Government of Canada from the Government of the United States and co-operation in a program for the procurement in Canada of F-104G aircraft to meet a Canadian mutual aid contribution to NATO and United States Military Assistance Program requirements.

Accordingly, I propose that this Note, your reply and the terms set out in the enclosed Memorandum of Understanding shall constitute an Agreement between our two Governments, effective from the date of your reply.

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

LIVINGSTON T. MERCHANT

Enclosure:

Memorandum of Understanding

The Honorable

Howard C. Green,  
Secretary of State for External Affairs,  
Ottawa.