

The Secretary of State, the Honourable Don Jamieson, tabled in the House of Commons today the text of a Note, received February 18 from the United States Department of State, which deals with the Garrison Diversion irrigation project in North Dakota. The U.S. Note replies to the Canadian Note of 12 October 1976, which requested that construction and decisions on construction of the Lonetree Reservoir be deferred until the International Joint Commission had had an opportunity to report the findings of its studies on Garrison and the two governments had had a chance to consult on the Commission's recommendations. Attached are the text of the U.S. Note and our Communiqué No. 125 of November 15, 1976, containing the text of the Canadian Note.