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*The Minister of Foreign Affairs of Switzerland to the Ambassador of
Canada*

LE CHEF DU DÉPARTEMENT POLITIQUE FÉDÉRAL

Berne, December 1, 1971

EXCELLENCY,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your Note No. 29 of December 1, 1971 regarding the renewal of the "Agreement between the Government of Canada and the Government of the Confederation of Switzerland to provide for Cooperation in the Peaceful Uses of Atomic Energy", of 6th March 1958, which came into force 31st July 1958 and which has been renewed the last time on 23rd April 1969.

In reply, I wish to advise you that the Swiss Government approves the proposal that the Agreement be renewed for a further period of one year and that, except for denunciation by either party six months before its expiration, it be automatically renewed each year by tacit agreement.

I should like to add that the Swiss Government is agreed that, at an appropriate time, the International Atomic Energy Agency be requested to apply safeguards to all nuclear materials now subject to the provisions of the present Agreement and that any future transfer of nuclear materials from Canada to Switzerland be protected by these guarantees.

I confirm to you, in addition, that your Note and the present reply, of which the English and French versions are equally authentic, will constitute an Agreement between our two Governments, which enters into force 1st August 1971.

Accept, Excellency, the assurance of my highest consideration.

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