

**EXCHANGE OF NOTES (JUNE 30, 1953) BETWEEN CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT CONCERNING THE INSTALLATION OF AN OIL PIPELINE FROM HAINES TO FAIRBANKS, ALASKA**

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*The Chargé d'affaires ad interim of the United States of America to the Secretary of State for External Affairs*

EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

No. 288

OTTAWA, June 30, 1953.

EXCELLENCY:

I have the honour to refer to discussions which have taken place in the Permanent Joint Board on Defense, and subsequently between representatives of our Governments, concerning a proposal for an oil pipeline installation from Haines to Fairbanks, Alaska, passing through northwestern British Columbia and Yukon Territory, to be constructed, owned and operated by the Government of the United States of America in the mutual defense interests of both countries.

Upon instructions from my Government, I propose that the Government of Canada grant permission to the Government of the United States of America to construct, own and operate a pipeline from Haines to Fairbanks, passing through Canada, on the terms and conditions which have been arranged in recent discussions between our Governments, and which are set forth in the annex to this Note.

Accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

DON C. BLISS

**ANNEX** to Note No. 288, from the Embassy of the United States of America, June 30, 1953.

(In this Annex, unless the context otherwise requires, "Canada" means the Government of Canada, and "United States" means the Government of the United States of America.)

1. *Right-of-Way*

All land or interest in land required for the right-of-way of the pipeline and appurtenances including any pumping stations (hereinafter referred to as the pipeline unless otherwise specified), and for access roads, will be acquired by and remain in the title of Canada. Any expense incurred in the acquisition of such land shall be assumed by Canada. The United States will be granted without charge an easement for the pipeline for such time and upon such conditions as may be agreed pursuant to paragraph 3 of this agreement. The United States shall have free of charge the use of access roads to the pipeline under such reasonable conditions as shall be mutually agreed upon.