Emergency Measures Organization, a representative apointed by the Department of External Affairs of Canada, the Director of the Office of Emergency Planning of the United States, the Director of Civil Defense of the United States, and a representative appointed by the Department of State of the United States. The Secretariat of the Committee will be provided by the Canada Emergency Measures Organization, the Office of Emergency Planning and the Office of Civil Defense. The Committee shall meet at least once in each calendar year at such times and places as may be agreed upon.

It is further proposed that the committee shall, consistent with this agreement and the principles set forth in its annex:

- (1) be responsible for supervising United States Canada cooperative civil emergency planning and arrangements generally, including making recommendations as required to their departments and agencies, concerning civil emergency plans, cooperation and mutual assistance. This would include reviewing and approving, or where necessary recommending to the two governments, any cooperative civil emergency arrangements proposed by their respective departments and agencies;
- (2) arrange for such joint consultation as required and establish such joint sub-committees and working groups as it considers necessary to discharge its responsibilities;
- (3) facilitate, as far as possible and consistent with its powers, United States Canada civil emergency planning and development of mutual assistance arrangements by adjacent states, provinces and municipalities along the international boundary;
- (4) facilitate the exchange of information between the two countries on civil emergency matters.

If the proposals contained in this note and the annexed Statement of Principles are acceptable to your government, I have the honor to propose that this note and your reply to that effect shall constitute an agreement between our two governments on cooperation on civil emergency planning, to enter into force on the date of your reply. This agreement shall supersede that of November 15, 1963, and may be terminated by either government upon three months' written notice.

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

W. W. BUTTERWORTH

Attachment:

Statement of Principles

The Honorable Paul Martin, Secretary of State for External Affairs, Ottawa.