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The Honourable James Baker
Secretary of State
Washington, D.C. 20520

Mr. Secretary:

I have the honour to refer to the discussions which have taken place between officials of the Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation of the United States and The St. Lawrence Seaway Authority of Canada regarding the amendment of the Memorandum of Agreement between the parties dated January 29, 1959, and the annexed St. Lawrence Seaway Tariff of Tolls, which was annexed to the Exchange of Notes between our two Governments of March 9, 1959, and amended in 1964, 1967, 1972, 1978, 1980, 1982, 1984, 1985, 1986, 1987 and 1988.

The discussions resulted, on December 15, 1988, at Washington, D.C., in the signature by the Administrator of the Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation of the enclosed Memorandum of Agreement and on December 13, 1988, at Ottawa, in the signature of the President of The St. Lawrence Seaway Authority of the said enclosed Memorandum of Agreement. This Memorandum of Agreement sets forth amendments which deal with the schedule of tolls, the division of tolls between the Seaway entities and definitions found in the Tariff of Tolls.

I have the honour to propose that, for calendar years 1989 and 1990, the rates for the tolls collected pursuant to the St. Lawrence Seaway Tariff of Tolls be as indicated in the enclosed Memorandum of Agreement, that the tolls collected for the section between Montreal and Lake Ontario be paid 75 percent in Canadian dollars and 25 percent in United States dollars and that the definitions found in the Tariff of Tolls be revised as mentioned in the enclosed Memorandum of Agreement.