

**EXCHANGE OF NOTES BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA AND
THE GOVERNMENT OF JAPAN CONCERNING THE ESTABLISHMENT
OF A TEMPORARY SATELLITE SUPPORT FACILITY AT CHURCHILL
RESEARCH RANGE**

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The Ambassador of Japan to the Secretary of State for External Affairs for Canada

(Translation)

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Sir,

I have the honour to refer to the recent discussions held between the representatives of the Government of Japan and the Government of Canada concerning the establishment of a temporary satellite support facility at the Churchill Research Range, Manitoba, for the specific purpose of telemetry acquisition and command transmission (hereinafter referred to as "the facility") in connection with a project to study the physics of aurora polaris and its related phenomena over the northern auroral region through the Exos-A satellite (hereinafter referred to as "the Project"). The discussions have resulted in the understanding that the Project shall be subject to the following conditions:

1. The co-operation envisaged under this Agreement is to be conducted through a co-operating agency from each Government, which on the part of the Government of Japan will be the Institute of Space and Aeronautical Science of the University of Tokyo and on the part of the Government of Canada will be the National Research Council of Canada.

2. The Government of Canada shall ensure that all lands and rooms in the buildings of the Churchill Research Range required for the facility be made available on a rent-free basis for the duration of the Project. All other expenses incurred by the Government of Canada in connection with the preparation, construction, operation and termination of the facility shall be reimbursed to the Government of Canada by the Government of Japan.

3. The Government of Japan may construct, operate and maintain the facility at its own expense.

4. (A) The Government of Japan shall be responsible of those portions of Canada's property assigned to the Government of Japan for its use at the Churchill Research Range and shall be responsible for returning the property to its original state following the termination of operation of the facility or to such state as may be otherwise agreed upon by the two Governments or their respective co-operating agencies.