EXCHANGE OF NOTES BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENTS OF CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA CONCERNING THE ESTABLISHMENT AND OPERATION OF A TEMPORARY SPACE TRACKING FACILITY IN NEW-FOUNDLAND IN CONNECTION WITH PROJECT SKYLAB

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The Ambassador of the United States of America to the Secretary of State for External Affairs of Canada

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SIR:

I have the honor to refer to recent discussions between representatives of our two Governments concerning the establishment of a temporary space tracking facility for the specific purpose of providing telecommunications with manned and unmanned spacecraft in connection with Project Skylab, a manned space flight effort of the United States National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA). These discussions have resulted in the understandings set forth in the Annex to this Note covering the conditions which should govern the establishment and operation of such a facility.

If the Canadian Government concurs, I propose that this Note, together with the Annex hereto, and your reply to that effect, shall constitute an agreement between our two Governments to enter into force on the date of your reply, and remain in effect for three years and for such future periods as may be mutually agreed, unless terminated at any time by either Government upon ninety days written notice to the other Government.

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

ADOLPH W. SCHMIDT

Enclosure:

Annex.

The Honorable Mitchell Sharp, P.C., Secretary of State for External Affairs, Ottawa.