

The Governments agree to permit the entry into their respective countries, within areas immediately adjacent to the Niagara River and the International Section to be delimited by an exchange of notes, of personnel employed by the Commission or employed in the construction of the works, and to exempt such personnel from the operation of their immigration laws and regulations within the areas to be delimited. They also agree within such areas to exempt from customs duties, excise or sales taxes, or other imposts, all supplies and materials to be used in connection with the construction of the works, as well as all supplies and materials purchased by the Commission for its official use.

The Governments shall, by an exchange of notes, prescribe rules and regulations for the conduct of the Commission. They may, by the same means, extend or abridge its powers and duties, reduce the number of members (provided that there must always be an equal number appointed by each Government) and, upon completion of its duties, terminate its existence.

ARTICLE II

With respect to works in the International Rapids Section, the Government of Canada agrees, in accordance with plans prepared by the Commission and approved by the Governments,

- (a) to construct or arrange for the construction of the works allocated to Canada by the Commission and to operate and maintain the works situated in the territory of Canada;
- (b) to construct or arrange for the construction of the works required for rehabilitation on the Canadian side of the boundary.

The Government of Canada agrees further that, not later than six years after the date of the initiation of construction of Canadian works for additional power under this treaty and, in any event, not later than December 31, 1949, it will provide for the necessary deepening of the New Welland Ship Canal, and for the completion of the essential links in the Canadian Section of the deep waterway to the sea, including canals of the required depth in the Soulanges and Lachine areas of the St. Lawrence River.

ARTICLE III

With respect to works in the International Rapids Section, the Government of the United States agrees, in accordance with the plans prepared by the Commission and approved by the Governments,

- (a) to construct or arrange for the construction of the works allocated to the United States by the Commission; and to operate and maintain the works situated in the territory of the United States;