national character. However, subjects relating to the determination of intergovernment policy with regard to civil emergency planning will be discussed by the two Governments through normal diplomatic channels.

It is proposed also that the Committee, within its general field of competence, may establish such subcommittees and working groups as it considers necessary to advance joint planning and that the Committee may make arrangements to facilitate joint United States-Canadian civil emergency planning by the appropriate public authorities, within their respective jurisdictions, of those states, provinces, and municipalities which are adjacent to one another along the international boundary.

If the Government of Canada concurs in these proposals, I have the honor to propose that this Note and your reply to that effect shall constitute an agreement between our two Governments on Joint Civil Emergency Planning. This agreement shall supersede the agreement of March 27, 1951 and may be terminated by either Government upon thirty days' written notice.

Accept, Excellency the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

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