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*The Ambassador of the United States of America
to the Acting Under Secretary of State for External Affairs*

EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

OTTAWA, December 30, 1946.

DEAR MR. MACDONNELL:

I have received your letter of December 30, 1946, referring to the exchange of notes dated November 7 and December 30, 1946, which provides for the disposal of the Canol crude oil facilities and particularly to section ID of my note, and setting forth the interpretation which has been placed on this agreement by your Government.

I am pleased to inform you that my Government is in agreement with the interpretation of this agreement as set forth in your letter under reference.

Yours sincerely,

RAY ATHERTON.

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

EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

OTTAWA, March 5, 1947.

No. 656

SIR:

I have the honor to refer to your Note No. 168 of December 30, 1946, in which you informed me that the Canadian Government was agreeable to certain proposals which had been made by the United States Government with regard to the disposition of the crude oil facilities of the Canol project, which had been transmitted to you by my Note No. 593 of November 7, 1946. In the exchange of notes in question it was provided that the agreement thus arrived at should become effective at a date mutually to be agreed upon.

I have now been instructed to inform you that the United States Government suggests March 1, 1947 as the effective date of the agreement. If this date is agreeable to the Canadian Government, it is proposed that this note and your reply thereto in that sense shall fix March 1, 1947 as the effective date of the agreement between the Canadian and American Governments relative to the disposal of the Canol Crude oil facilities.

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

RAY ATHERTON.