

EXCHANGE OF NOTES BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA AND THE
GOVERNMENT OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY CONSTITUTING
AN AGREEMENT CONCERNING THE USE OF THE CHURCHILL RESEARCH
RANGE

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*The Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Germany to the Acting
Secretary of State for External Affairs of Canada*

Ottawa, November 15, 1968

DEAR SENATOR:

I have the honour to refer to previous arrangements regarding co-operation between Canada and the Federal Republic of Germany and to discussions between officials of our two Governments with regard to making available facilities at the Churchill Research Range for experiments by German scientific institutes involving sounding rockets. I also wish to refer to discussions between officials of our two Governments concerning a proposed agreement between Canada and the Federal Republic of Germany to promote co-operation in the use of the Churchill Research Range, including the launching of experimental rockets.

Recently, the University of Bonn has indicated that it is desirous of launching two high altitude research rockets sometime after October, 1968. I have therefore been instructed by my Government to ask the Canadian Government, to conclude an interim agreement permitting the launching of these rockets on terms and conditions to be governed by the provisions of the Agreement between our two Governments regulating all aspects of Canadian-German co-operation in the use of the Churchill Research Range, the conclusion of which is now pending.

If the foregoing proposal is acceptable to your Government, I have the honour to propose that this note and your reply shall constitute an agreement between our two Governments, concerning the launching of the two high altitude research rockets referred to above, which shall enter into force upon the date of Your Excellency's reply and shall also apply to Land Berlin provided that the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany does not make a contrary declaration to the Government of Canada within three months of the entry into force of this agreement.

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

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