AIR TRANSPORT SERVICES: NEWFOUNDLAND

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The Secretary of State for External Affairs to the American Ambassador

DEPARTMENT OF
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
CANADA

OTTAWA, March 25, 1949

EXCELLENCY:

I have the honour to refer to your note No. 79 of March 21, 1949, concerning the renegotiation of the Bilateral Air Transport Agreement between the Governments of the United States of America and Canada.

I am pleased to learn that your Government is now prepared to participate in discussions with the Canadian Government with a view to concluding the new Bilateral Air Transport Agreement and that your Government does not perceive any insurmountable problems which would prevent the conclusion of a mutually satisfactory Agreement.

Since it is not feasible for such negotiations to begin before April 1, 1949, I have been instructed to inform you that the Canadian Government, pending the revision of a new bilateral agreement, will extend, until June 30, 1949, the present operating rights which the United States air carriers enjoy at Gander, Newfoundland. To conform with Canadian laws, it will be necessary for these United States carriers to obtain a temporary permit at once from the Air Transport Board for the period of this extension.

You will appreciate that the Canadian Government would prefer to formalize this arrangement by an exchange of notes. If the foregoing is acceptable to the Government of the United States of America, this note and

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1 TIAS 1934, post, p. 492.
2 Newfoundland became a Province of Canada on Apr. 1, 1949.
your reply thereto accepting this proposal shall be regarded as a temporary understanding between the two Governments concerning this matter.

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

Escott Reid
for
the Secretary of State
for External Affairs

His Excellency the Hon. Laurence A. Steinhardt,
Ambassador of the United States of America,
American Embassy,
Ottawa.

The American Ambassador to the Secretary of State for External Affairs
No. 82
Ottawa, Canada, March 28, 1949.

Excellency:
I have the honor to refer to your note No. 97 of March 25, 1949, concerning the re-negotiation of the Bilateral Air Transport Agreement between the Governments of the United States and Canada.

I have been instructed to inform Your Excellency that the Government of the United States accepts the proposal contained in your note under acknowledgment, and it is my understanding that this acceptance constitutes a temporary agreement between the two governments concerning this matter.

Please accept, Excellency, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

Laurence A. Steinhardt

His Excellency the Honorable
The Secretary of State
for External Affairs,
Ottawa.