



Note no. JLI – 0133

The Department of Foreign Affairs, Trade and Development presents its compliments to the Embassy of the United States of America and acknowledges receipt of note No. 11, dated 13 January 2021, from the Embassy, which reads as follows:

“The Embassy of the United States of America presents its compliments to the Department of Foreign Affairs, Trade and Development and refers to the *General Coordination Agreement between the United States of America and Canada on the Use of the Radio Frequency Spectrum by Terrestrial Radiocommunication Stations and Earth Stations*, done at Ottawa on January 12 and 13, 2021 (the “Agreement”).

The Government of the United States of America proposes that the legal instruments listed in Annex A to the Agreement be suspended pending the Agreement’s entry into force.

If the foregoing proposal is acceptable to the Government of Canada, the Embassy proposes, on behalf of the Government of the United States of America, that this note together with the Department of Foreign Affairs, Trade and Development’s reply to that effect constitute an agreement between the two governments, which shall enter into force on the date of the Department of Foreign Affairs, Trade and Development’s note.

Furthermore, in accordance with Article IV(2) of the Agreement, the Government of the United States of America confirms that it has completed its relevant domestic procedures to provisionally apply the Agreement and proposes that the Agreement, with the exception of Article III(1), be provisionally applied as of the date of the Government of Canada’s reply note confirming the same.

Additionally, in accordance with Article II(1) of the Agreement, the Government of the United States of America designates the Federal Communications Commission and the National Telecommunications and Information Administration as “Designated Agencies” with respect to a transitional arrangement to be decided upon under the Agreement.

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The Embassy of the United States of America avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Department of Foreign Affairs, Trade and Development the assurances of its highest consideration.”

The Department of Foreign Affairs, Trade and Development confirms that the proposal contained in the Embassy’s note is acceptable to the Government of Canada. Therefore, the Embassy’s note and this reply note constitute an agreement between the two governments to that effect, which shall enter into force on the date of this note.

Furthermore, in accordance with Article IV(2) of the Agreement, the Government of Canada confirms that it has completed its relevant domestic procedures to provisionally apply the Agreement. Therefore, provisional application of the Agreement, with the exception of Article III(1), commences on the date of this note.

Additionally, the Government of Canada, in accordance with Article II(1) of the Agreement, designates Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada as its “Designated Agency” with respect to all arrangements decided under that Agreement.

The Department of Foreign Affairs, Trade and Development avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Embassy of the United States of America the assurances of its highest consideration.

Ottawa, 13 January 2021

