



The Secretary of State for External Affairs
Canada

Ottawa, July 5, 1962

Dear Sir,

The Governments of Canada and of the United States of America, pursuant to Article IX of the Boundary Waters Treaty of January 11, 1909, have agreed to request the International Joint Commission to examine into and report, as soon as possible, on the feasibility and economic advantages of improving or developing a waterway from the St. Lawrence River in Canada through Lake Champlain to the Hudson River at Albany in the United States.

The Commission is specifically requested:

- i) to examine into and report whether it would be feasible and economically advantageous to improve the existing waterway from Sorel on the St. Lawrence River to the Hudson River at Albany and, if so, to what governing dimensions;
- ii) to make an estimate of the costs in each country of improving the said waterway to any such governing dimensions;
- iii) to make an economic appraisal of the value to the two countries, jointly and separately, of improving the said waterway to any such governing dimensions;
- iv) to examine into and report in similar terms on any other routes for a waterway connecting the St. Lawrence River at or near Montreal with the Hudson River at Albany by way of Lake Champlain which would be both feasible and economically advantageous;



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