UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE BENEFITS

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The Secretary of State for External Affairs to the American Minister

DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

CANADA

No. 22

OTTAWA, March 6, 1942

Sir,

I have the honour to state that discussions have recently taken place between representatives of the Unemployment Insurance Commission of Canada and the Social Security Board of the United States of America on matters of mutual interest arising under the laws of both countries.

The United States of America, by the enactment of the Social Security Act (Act of August 14, 1935, c. 531, 49 Stat. 620, 42 U.S.C., c. 7 (Supp.), as amended by Act of August 10, 1939, c. 666, 53 Stat. 1360), has made provision for the maintenance of a Federal-State unemployment insurance programme in the United States of America. The Parliament of Canada, by the enactment of the Unemployment Insurance Act, 1940, chapter 44 of the Statutes of Canada, 1940, has made provision for an unemployment insurance programme in Canada.

There are now in operation unemployment insurance laws in the various states of the United States of America and in Canada.

The representatives of the Unemployment Insurance Commission and the Social Security Board concluded that it is desirable that the application of such laws be co-ordinated and integrated so that duplication of contributions with respect to the same services and duplication of insurance payments with respect to the same periods of unemployment may be avoided.

In order to achieve this result, the Government of Canada is prepared to make with the Government of the United States of America the agreement which is annexed as an Appendix to this note. The agreement would

¹ 3 UST 2812; TIAS 2452.