

No. 174

**UNITED NATIONS
and
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**

**Interim Headquarters Agreement. Signed at Lake Success,
on 18 December 1947**

*Official text in English. The registration ex officio by the Secretariat of the
United Nations took place on 18 December 1947.*

**ORGANISATION DES NATIONS UNIES
et
ETATS-UNIS D'AMERIQUE**

**Accord relatif au siège provisoire. Signé à Lake Success, le
18 décembre 1947**

*Texte officiel anglais. L'enregistrement d'office par le Secrétariat de l'Organisa-
tion des Nations Unies a eu lieu le 18 décembre 1947.*

No. 174. INTERIM HEADQUARTERS AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE UNITED NATIONS AND THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. SIGNED AT LAKE SUCCESS, ON 18 DECEMBER 1947

The United Nations and the United States of America:

Desiring to extend to the temporary headquarters of the United Nations such of those provisions of the Agreement between the United Nations and the United States of America regarding the Headquarters of the United Nations signed at Lake Success June 26, 1947² as are appropriate, having regard for the needs of the United Nations at its temporary headquarters;

Have appointed as their representatives for this purpose:

The United Nations:

Trygve Lie, Secretary-General;

and

The United States of America:

Warren R. Austin, United States Representative to the United Nations,

Who, being duly authorized, have agreed as follows:

Article I

This agreement shall be called the Interim Headquarters Agreement.

As used in this agreement:

(a) The expression "temporary headquarters" means (1) the land and buildings occupied and used by the United Nations for its official activities at Lake Success, Long Island, New York, and at Flushing Meadow, New York, the precise limits of which are defined in the Annex to this agreement and (2) such other land and buildings occupied and used by the United Nations as may be defined from time to time by agreement between the United Nations and the United States of America after consultation with the appropriate state and local authorities.

¹ Came into force on 18 December 1947, as from the date of signature, in accordance with article V.

² See page 11 of this volume.

(b) The expression "Headquarters Agreement" means the Agreement between the United Nations and the United States of America regarding the Headquarters of the United Nations signed at Lake Success on June 26, 1947, and brought into effect in accordance with its provisions by an exchange of notes dated November 21, 1947.¹

Article II

The following provisions of the Headquarters Agreement, with the exception noted in Article III of this agreement and subject to the provisions of said article, having been found to be necessary and appropriate to enable the United Nations to carry on its functions at the temporary headquarters, shall have full force and effect with respect to the temporary headquarters of the United Nations and the expression "headquarters district" as used in the Sections of the Headquarters Agreement incorporated herein by reference shall be deemed to include the temporary headquarters of the United Nations until such time as the United Nations shall have ceased to use or occupy its temporary headquarters and this agreement shall be terminated:

Section 1 (except subsection *a*)

Section 4

Section 7

Section 8

Section 9

Section 10

Section 11

Section 12

Section 13

Section 14

Section 15

Section 16

Section 17

Section 19

Article III

The United Nations agrees, in view of the fact that the premises occupied by it as the temporary headquarters are under lease from persons not parties to this agreement, that passes will be provided by the Secretary-General to such persons or their duly authorized agents for the purposes of enabling them to inspect, repair and maintain the said premises in accordance with the terms of the lease.

¹ See page 38 of this volume.

The United Nations further agrees that this Interim Agreement shall not affect any existing arrangements with respect to payment of taxes or payments in lieu of taxes on property under lease from persons not parties to this agreement or impair the power of any municipality to impose taxes on property so leased.

Article IV

It is understood that Sections 20, 21, 25, 26 and 27¹ of the Headquarters Agreement shall be applicable to the operation and construction of this agreement.

Article V

This agreement shall come into effect on the date of signature hereof. It shall continue in force until the United Nations shall have ceased to use or occupy the temporary headquarters.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the respective plenipotentiaries have signed this agreement.

DONE in duplicate in the English language at Lake Success the eighteenth day of December 1947.

For the United Nations:

Trygve LIE
Secretary-General

For the Government of the United States of America:

Warren R. AUSTIN
United States Representative
to the United Nations

ANNEX

A. DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY AT LAKE SUCCESS SITE

Beginning at the northwesterly corner of the property intended to be described herein, said point being where the easterly line of Lakeville Road intersects the southerly line of Marcus Avenue; thence running South 78° 10' 50" East and along the southerly line of Marcus Avenue 449.57 feet to the P.C. of a curve; thence continuing easterly and along the southerly line of Marcus Avenue and on a curve the radius of which is 1,757.85 feet a distance of 295.98 feet to the P.T. of said

¹ See pages 30 and 34 of this volume.

curve; thence running South $68^{\circ} 32'$ East and still along the southerly line of Marcus Avenue 740.99 feet to the P.C. of another curve; thence continuing easterly and along the southerly line of Marcus Avenue and along a curve the radius of which is 1,340.11 feet a distance of 421.50 feet to the P.T. of said curve; thence running South $50^{\circ} 30' 44''$ East and along the southerly line of Marcus Avenue 95.78 feet to the P.C. of another curve; thence continuing easterly and along the southerly line of Marcus Avenue and along a curve the radius of which is 755.14 feet a distance of 92.54 feet to the easterly line of the property intended to be described herein; thence running South $30^{\circ} 41' 38''$ West 68.41 feet; thence running North $59^{\circ} 18' 22''$ West 30.25 feet to the fence line; thence running South $30^{\circ} 41' 38''$ West and along said fence line 150.21 feet to a stake; thence running westerly and along said fence line a distance of 570 feet to a stake; thence running North $73^{\circ} 55' 24''$ West 194.48 feet to a stake; thence running South $16^{\circ} 04' 36''$ West 40.83 feet to a stake; thence running North $73^{\circ} 55' 24''$ West 34.07 feet to a stake; thence South $16^{\circ} 04' 36''$ West and along the fence 34.21 feet to a chisel on the face of the north wall of the building; thence North $73^{\circ} 55' 24''$ West and along the face of the north wall of the building 3.75 feet; thence South $16^{\circ} 04' 36''$ West through the masonry wall 40.79 feet; thence North $73^{\circ} 55' 24''$ West and through the masonry wall 1.95 feet; thence South $16^{\circ} 04' 36''$ West and through the masonry wall 500.33 feet; thence North $73^{\circ} 55' 24''$ West and through the masonry wall 23.83 feet; thence South $16^{\circ} 04' 36''$ West and through the masonry wall 92.25 feet; thence North $73^{\circ} 55' 24''$ West and through the masonry wall 5.72 feet; thence South $16^{\circ} 04' 36''$ West and through the masonry wall 8.21 feet to the face of the south wall of the building; thence South $73^{\circ} 55' 24''$ East and along the face of the south wall of the building 0.70 feet to a fence; thence South $16^{\circ} 04' 36''$ West and along said fence 34.11 feet; thence North $73^{\circ} 55' 24''$ West and still along said fence line 226.26 feet; thence South $17^{\circ} 34' 06''$ West and still along said fence line 30.71 feet; thence North $73^{\circ} 55' 24''$ West, still along the fence line 183.10 feet to the beginning of a curve; thence running in a southwesterly direction and along said curve the radius of which is 20 feet a distance of 31.42 feet to the P.T. of said curve; thence South $16^{\circ} 04' 36''$ West, still along said fence line, 236.50 feet; thence South $73^{\circ} 55' 24''$ East still along said fence line 455.80 feet; thence South $16^{\circ} 04' 36''$ West and still along said fence line 69.40 feet; thence in a southwesterly direction and along said fence 750 feet to the northerly line of property belonging to the Manhasset-Lakeville Water District; thence running North $41^{\circ} 05' 56''$ West and along the northerly line of land of the Manhasset-Lakeville Water District 50 feet to the northwesterly corner of said Water District property; thence running South $48^{\circ} 54' 04''$ West and along the westerly line of property of the Manhasset-Lakeville Water District 128.05 feet to the northerly line of Lakeville Road; thence running in a northwesterly direction and along the northerly and easterly line of Lakeville Road on a curve the radius of which is 920.37 feet a distance of 292.73 feet to the P.T. of said curve; thence running North $19^{\circ} 08' 16''$ West and along the north-easterly line of Lakeville Road 106.45 feet to the P.C. of another curve; thence running in a northerly direction and along the easterly line of Lakeville Road and on a curve the radius of which is 920.37 feet a distance of 352.77 feet to the P.T. of said curve; thence running North $2^{\circ} 49' 24''$ East and along the easterly line of Lakeville Road 787.19 feet; thence running North $7^{\circ} 36' 24''$ East and still along

the easterly line of Lakeville Road 189.80 feet to the beginning of a curve; thence running in a northerly direction and along the easterly line of Lakeville Road and on a curve the radius of which is 681.78 feet a distance of 321.93 feet to the P.T. of said curve; thence running North $34^{\circ} 39' 39''$ East and along the easterly line of Lakeville Road 182.74 feet to the southerly line of Marcus Avenue at the point or place of beginning; *containing* within said bounds 56.167 acres.

Including the area comprising the compressor room and the entrance thereto which is situated on the first floor and east of the easterly line described in the proposed lease between the Reconstruction Finance Corporation and the United Nations, which compressor room area is more particularly bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the face of the north wall of the building, which point is distant 12.75 feet easterly from the chisel mark on the building and the fence line as shown on the section of the diagram¹ attached hereto and which is a part of the above-mentioned proposed lease; thence running South $73^{\circ} 55' 24''$ East and along the face of the north wall of the building 21.95 feet; thence South $16^{\circ} 04' 36''$ West and along the east wall of the compressor room 46.79 feet; thence North $73^{\circ} 55' 24''$ West 2.40 feet; thence South $16^{\circ} 04' 36''$ West 6.67 feet; thence North $73^{\circ} 55' 24''$ West 38.00 feet; thence North $16^{\circ} 04' 36''$ East 6.67 feet; thence South $73^{\circ} 55' 24''$ East 14.35 feet; thence North $16^{\circ} 04' 36''$ East 36.39 feet; thence South $73^{\circ} 55' 24''$ East 4.10 feet; thence North $16^{\circ} 04' 36''$ East 10.40 feet to the point or place of beginning.

The foregoing description of the property has been taken from the proposed lease between the Reconstruction Finance Corporation and the United Nations. The said description is subject to such modification as may be contained in the lease as executed between the Reconstruction Finance Corporation and the United Nations.

B. DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY AT FLUSHING ASSEMBLY HALL SITE

Beginning at a point located 1,470 feet northerly from the intersection of the center lines of Grand Central Parkway and Horace Harding Boulevard in the Borough of Queens, City of New York, 95 feet easterly of the center line of Grand Central Parkway said point being the existing chain link fence along the westerly curb line of the Intramural Drive in Flushing Meadow Park; thence northerly along the chain link fence on the westerly side of the Intramural Drive for 1,370 feet to a point 55 feet south of the center line of the first pedestrian overpass across

¹ See insert between pages 358 and 359 of this volume.

Grand Central Parkway south of the Long Island Railroad, northside Division; thence easterly along the chain link fence 840 feet to the northeast corner of the property; thence southerly 1,570 feet along the chain link fence on the westerly side of the pedestrian walk to the southeast corner of the property; thence westerly 805 feet along the chain link fence on the northerly side of the pedestrian walk to the point or place of beginning, it being the intention to include all the property within the chain link fence enclosing the Assembly Hall of United Nations Site, formerly the New York City Building and adjacent area.

This description was obtained by the United Nations from the Parks Department of the City of New York.