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I

The Swiss Minister to the Secretary of State

LEGATION OF SWITZERLAND
WASHINGTON 8, D. C.

January 5, 1950

Sir :

I have the honor to refer to the conversations which have taken place between representatives of the Government of Switzerland and representatives of the Government of the United States of America in regard to the exchange of official publications, and to inform you that the Government of Switzerland agrees that there shall be an exchange of official publications between the two Governments in accordance with the following provisions :

1. Each of the two Governments shall furnish regularly a copy of each of its official publications which is indicated in a selected list prepared by the other Government and communicated through diplomatic channels subsequent to the conclusion of the present agreement. The list of publications selected by each Government may be revised from time to time and may be extended, without the necessity of subsequent negotiations, to include any other official publication of the other Government not specified in the list, or publications of new offices which the other Government may establish in the future.

2. The official exchange office for the transmission of publications of the Government of Switzerland shall be the Swiss Federal Chancery. The official exchange office for the transmission of publications of the Government of the United States of America shall be the Smithsonian Institution.

¹ Came into force on 24 February 1950, by the exchange of the said notes.

3. The publications shall be received on behalf of Switzerland by the Swiss Parliamentary Library and on behalf of the United States of America by the Library of Congress.

4. The present agreement does not obligate either of the two Governments to furnish blank forms, circulars which are not of a public character, or confidential publications.

5. Each of the two Governments shall bear all charges, including postal, rail and shipping costs, arising under the present agreement in connection with the transportation within its own country of the publications of both Governments and the shipment of its own publications to a port or other appropriate place reasonably convenient to the exchange office of the other Government. The port of entry will be Antwerp for the publications coming from the United States of America, and New York for the publications coming from Switzerland.

6. The present agreement shall not be considered as a modification of any existing exchange agreement between a department or agency of one of the Governments and a department or agency of the other Government or of any existing exchange agreement to which the two Governments are now parties or adherents.

Upon the receipt of a note from you indicating that the foregoing provisions are acceptable to the Government of the United States of America, the Government of Switzerland will consider that this note and your reply constitute an agreement between the two Governments on this subject, the agreement to enter into force on the date of your note in reply.

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

Charles BRUGGMANN

The Honorable Dean G. Acheson
Secretary of State

II

The Secretary of State to the Swiss Minister

DEPARTMENT OF STATE
WASHINGTON

Feb. 24 1950

Sir :

With reference to your note of January 5, 1950, and to conversations between representatives of the Government of the United States of America and representatives of the Government of Switzerland in regard to the exchange

of official publications, I have the honor to inform you that the Government of the United States of America agrees that there shall be an exchange of official publications between the two Governments in accordance with the following provisions :

[*See note I*]

The Government of the United States of America considers that your note and this reply constitute an agreement between the two Governments on this subject, the agreement to enter into force on the date of this note.

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

Dean ACHESON

The Honorable Charles Bruggmann
Minister of Switzerland