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and
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

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Preamble

The Government of Thailand and the Government of the United States of America:

Desiring to foster international peace and security, within the framework of the Charter of the United Nations, through measures which will further the ability of nations dedicated to the purposes and principles of the Charter to develop effective measures for self-defense in support of those purposes and principles;

Considering that, in furtherance of these principles, the Government of the United States of America has enacted Public Law 329, 81st Congress, which permits the furnishing of assistance by the United States of America;

Considering that the Government of Thailand has requested the Government of the United States of America for assistance, and that such assistance will enable Thailand to strengthen the security forces required for the protection of her freedom and independence; and

Desiring to set forth the understandings which govern the furnishing of assistance by the Government of the United States of America under Public Law 329, 81st Congress, and the receipt of such assistance by Thailand;

Have agreed as follows:

Article I

1. Each Government, consistently with the principle that economic stability is essential to international peace and security, will make available to the other, such equipment, material, services, or other military assistance as the Government furnishing such assistances may authorize and in accordance with such terms and conditions as it may agree. The furnishing of any such assistance as may be authorized by either party hereto shall be consistent with the Charter of the United Nations. Such assistance as may be made available by the United States of America pursuant to this Agreement will be furnished subject to such provisions of Public Law 329, 81st Congress as

¹ Came into force on 17 October 1950, as from the date of signature, in accordance with article IX.

amended, as affect the furnishing of such assistance, and of such other applicable United States laws as may hereafter come into effect. The two Governments will, from time to time, negotiate detailed arrangements necessary to carry out the provisions of this paragraph.

2. The Government of Thailand undertakes to make effective use of assistance received pursuant to paragraph 1 of this Article for the purposes for which such assistance is furnished, and will not, without prior consent of the Government of the United States of America, devote assistance so furnished to purposes other than those for which it is furnished.

3. The Government of Thailand undertakes to retain title to and possession and control of any equipment, material, or services received pursuant to paragraph 1, unless the Government of the United States of America shall otherwise consent.

4. The Government of Thailand will take appropriate measures to prevent the transportation out of Thailand, including the territorial waters thereof, of any equipment or material substitutable for, or of similar category to, those being supplied by the Government of the United States of America under this Agreement.

Article II

1. Each Government will take appropriate measures consistent with security to keep the public informed of operations under this Agreement, and will, at appropriate intervals, consult with the other on the measures to be employed to this end.

2. Each Government will take such security measures as may be requested by the other to prevent the disclosure or compromise of classified articles, services or information furnished by the other Government pursuant to this Agreement, and to this end will consult with the other as to the measures to be taken.

Article III

The two Governments will, upon request of either of them, negotiate appropriate arrangements between them respecting responsibility for patent or similar claims based on the use of devices, processes, technological information or other forms of property protected by law in connection with equipment, material or services furnished pursuant to this Agreement. In such negotiations, consideration shall be given to including an undertaking whereby each Government will assume the responsibility for all such claims of its nationals

and such claims arising in its jurisdiction of nationals of any country not a party of this Agreement.

Article IV

The Government of Thailand will, except as otherwise agreed to, grant duty-free treatment to products, materials or equipment imported into or exported from its territory in connection with this Agreement.

Article V

The Government of Thailand will facilitate the production, transport, export, and transfer to the Government of the United States of America for such period of time, in such quantities and upon such terms and conditions of purchase as may be agreed upon, of raw and semi-processed materials required by the United States of America as a result of deficiencies or potential deficiencies in its own resources, and which may be available in Thailand. Arrangements for such transfers shall give due regard to the reasonable requirements for domestic use and commercial export of Thailand.

Article VI

1. The two Governments will, upon the request of either of them, consult regarding any matter relating to the application of this Agreement or to operations or arrangements carried out pursuant to this Agreement.

2. The Government of Thailand will accord to duly authorized United States representatives, facilities freely and fully to observe the utilization of assistance furnished pursuant to this Agreement.

Article VII

1. Each Government agrees to receive within its territory such personnel of the other Government as may be required to discharge the responsibilities of that other Government under this Agreement.

2. Such personnel will in their relations to the Government of the country to which they are assigned, operate as part of the Embassy under the direction and control of the Chief of the Diplomatic Mission of the Government which they are serving, and will enjoy the same privileges and immunities accorded other accredited personnel of that Embassy.

Article VIII

1. The Government of Thailand will make available to the Government of the United States of America, baht for the use of the latter Government for its administrative and operating expenditures within Thailand in connection with assistance furnished to the Government of Thailand under this Agreement.

2. The two contracting Governments will initiate discussions with a view to determining the amount of such baht and agreeing upon arrangements for the furnishing of such baht, taking into account the ability of the Government of Thailand to provide such currency.

Article IX

1. This Agreement shall enter into force upon signature and will continue in force until three months after the receipt by either party of written notice of the intention of the other party to terminate it.

2. This Agreement shall be registered with the Secretary-General of the United Nations in compliance with the provision of Article 102 of the Charter of the United Nations.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the respective representatives, duly authorized for this purpose, have signed the present Agreement and have affixed thereto their seals.

DONE in duplicate, in the Thai and English languages at Bangkok, Thailand, on this Seventeenth Day of the Tenth Month of the Two thousand four hundred and ninety-third Year of the Buddhist Era, corresponding to the Seventeenth Day of October of the One thousand nine hundred and fiftieth Year of the Christian Era. The Thai and English texts shall have equal force, but in case of any divergence of interpretation, the English text shall prevail.

For the Government of Thailand:

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Acting Minister of Foreign Affairs

For the Government of the United States of
America:

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Ambassador of the United States of
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