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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA and AUSTRIA

Exchange of notes constituting an agreement relating to guaranties under section 111 (b) (3) of the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948, as amended. Washington, 14 and 16 February 1952

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No. 2329. EXCHANGE OF NOTES CONSTITUTING AGREEMENT1 BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND AUSTRIA RELATING TO GUARANTIES UNDER SECTION 111 (b) (3) OF THE ECONOMIC CO-OPERATION ACT OF 1948, AS AMENDED. WASHING-TON, 14 AND 16 FEBRUARY 1952

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The Secretary of State to the Appointed Ambassador of Austria

DEPARTMENT OF STATE WASHINGTON

Feb. 14, 1952

Excellency:

I have the honor to refer to the conversations which have recently taken place between representatives of our two Governments relating to Article III of the Economic Cooperation Agreement between the United States of America and Austria, signed at Vienna, on July 2, 1948,2 as heretofore amended or supplemented.3 As a consequence of these conversations, the Government of the United States of America proposes the following agreement to the Government of Austria:

The Governments of Austria and of the United States of America will, upon the request of either of them, consult respecting projects in Austria proposed by nationals of the United States of America with regard to which guaranties under Section 111 (b) (3) of the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948, as heretofore amended,4 have been made or are under consideration. With respect to such guaranties extending to projects which are approved by the Government of Austria in accordance with the provisions of the aforesaid Section, the Government of Austria agrees:

a. That if the Government of the United States of America makes payment in United States dollars to any person under any such guaranty, the Government of Austria will recognize the transfer to the United States

¹ Came into force on 20 February 1952, in accordance with the terms of the said notes.

² United Nations, *Treaty Series*, Vol. 21, p. 29.

³ United Nations, *Treaty Series*, Vol. 79, p. 288 and Vol. 141, p. 372; United States of America: 4 United States of America: 62 Stat. 144; 22 U.S.C. § 1509 (b) (3).

of America of any right, title or interest of such person in assets, currency, credits, or other property on account of which such payment was made and the subrogation of the United States of America to any claim or cause of action of such person arising in connection therewith. The Government of Austria shall also recognize any transfer to the Government of the United States of America pursuant to such guaranty of any compensation for loss covered by such guaranties received from any source other than the Government of the United States of America;

- b. That any claim against the Government of Austria, to which the Government of the United States of America may be subrogated as the result of any payment under such a guaranty, shall be the subject of direct negotiations between the two Governments. If, within a reasonable period, they are unable to settle the claim by agreement, it shall be referred for final and binding determination to a sole arbitrator selected by mutual agreement. If the Governments are unable, within a period of three months, to agree upon such selection, the arbitrator shall be one who may be designated by the President of the International Court of Justice at the request of either Government;
- c. That any currency transferred to the United States of America pursuant to the terms of any such guaranty shall be accorded the treatment provided in paragraphs 1 and 2 of the letter of March 23, 1949 from the Austrian Federal Minister for Foreign Affairs to the Chief of the Special Mission to Austria.¹

If this proposal is acceptable to the Government of Austria, it is suggested that you reply by note. This note, together with such reply, will constitute an agreement between our two Governments on this subject, the agreement to enter into force on the date of receipt of your reply note.

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

For the Secretary of State:
Adrian S. FISHER

His Excellency Dr. Max Loewenthal-Chulmecky Appointed Ambassador of Austria

¹ Not printed by the Department of State of the United States of America.

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The Appointed Ambassador of Austria to the Acting Secretary of State

AUSTRIAN EMBASSY WASHINGTON D. C.

Ref. No. 1322

February 16, 1952

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your note of February 14, 1952, which reads as follows:

[See note I]

I have the honor to confirm to you that the provisions set forth in the said note are acceptable to the Government of Austria and that it is agreed that your note and this reply constitute an agreement between our two Governments on this subject, the agreement to enter into force on the date of receipt of this note.

Accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

LOEWENTHAL

The Honorable The Acting Secretary of State Department of State Washington, D. C.