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**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
and  
IRAQ**

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*Official texts: English and Arabic.*

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**ÉTATS-UNIS D'AMÉRIQUE  
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**Échange de notes constituant un accord relatif à un programme de coopération technique pour l'exploitation des ressources hydrauliques. Bagdad, 11 décembre 1951, et 28 avril et 21 mai 1952**

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*Enregistré par les États-Unis d'Amérique le 13 juillet 1955.*

No. 2870. EXCHANGE OF NOTES CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT<sup>1</sup> BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND IRAQ RELATING TO A TECHNICAL CO-OPERATION PROGRAM OF WATER RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT. BAGHDAD, 11 DECEMBER 1951, AND 28 APRIL AND 21 MAY 1952

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*The American Ambassador to the Iraqi Acting Minister for Foreign Affairs*

Baghdad, Iraq, December 11, 1951

Excellency :

I have the honor to refer to the General Agreement for Technical Cooperation between Iraq and the United States of America, which was signed at Baghdad on April 10, 1951,<sup>2</sup> becoming effective on June 2, 1951, and to the request of the Government of Iraq (Ministry of Foreign Affairs Note No. Qaf/61/61/101/1584 dated February 12, 1951)<sup>3</sup> that the two Governments cooperate in a program of water resources development, including drainage, irrigation, and ground water exploration, to be governed by the terms and conditions of the General Agreement.

In accordance with the request of the Government of Iraq, the Government of the United States now plans to select and assign to Iraq experts in the field of water resources development, particularly drainage, irrigation and ground water exploration. Such experts will provide professional and advisory services in the respective fields, will train Iraqi personnel, and will assist in carrying out cooperative activities.

The salary and allowances of experts assigned to Iraq, including costs of international travel and the cost of certain equipment, supplies and facilities as determined by the Technical Cooperation Administration will be paid by the Government of the United States of America.

It is understood that the Government of Iraq, at its expense, will provide : housing for the experts and their families when or where same cannot be rented or leased by the experts because of shortage or non-availability in the area; office space and facilities, equipment, supplies, secretarial and other personnel assistance; appropriate personnel to receive training in irrigation, drainage and ground water exploration; motor vehicles and motor vehicle operating and maintenance expenses for travel on official business within Iraq; will pay other

<sup>1</sup> Came into force on 21 May 1952 by the exchange of the said notes.

<sup>2</sup> United Nations, *Treaty Series*, Vol. 151, p. 179.

<sup>3</sup> Not printed by the Department of State of the United States of America.

costs of official transportation, travel and communications within Iraq, and will assure access by the experts to areas and installations to which their services will be related and to information or data required for the discharge of the assigned duties of the experts in an expeditious and professional manner.

These arrangements will be considered by the Government of the United States as being effective from the date of Your Excellency's reply concurring hereto, and will continue in effect for two years from the date of said reply or until one month after either Government shall have given notice in writing to the other of intention to terminate such arrangements, whichever is earlier; provided, however, that the obligations of the parties for the period subsequent to June 30, 1952, shall be subject to the availability of appropriations to both Governments for these purposes.

Upon receipt of Your Excellency's reply indicating that the foregoing arrangements are acceptable, the Government of the United States of America will take such further steps as may be necessary for the assignment of experts referred to above.

Accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Edward S. CROCKER

His Excellency Shakir Al-Wadi  
Acting Minister for Foreign Affairs  
Baghdad, Iraq

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### *The American Embassy to the Iraqi Ministry of Foreign Affairs*

No. 562

The Embassy of the United States of America presents its compliments to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and has the honor to refer to the General Agreement for Technical Cooperation between Iraq and the United States of America, which was signed at Baghdad on April 10, 1951, becoming effective on June 2, 1951, and to the Embassy's Note of December 11, 1951, which in answer to the request of the Government of Iraq (Ministry of Foreign Affairs' Note No. Qas/61/61/101/1584 dated February 12, 1951) that the two Governments cooperate in a program of water resources development (including drainage, irrigation, and ground water exploration) proposes the language of a program agreement to this end.

This Embassy has not yet received word from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs indicating that the arrangements described in Embassy Note of December 11, 1951, are acceptable. In this connection in view of arrangements for the procurement of laboratory supplies and equipment upon request of the Iraqi

Government, the Government of the United States of America suggests the inclusions in the arrangements proposed in its Note of December 11, 1951, the following additional language :

In furtherance of the water resources program provided for herein, the Government of the United States of America, on the request of the Iraqi Government, will make available laboratory supplies and equipment as it determines to be necessary and to be appropriate for purchase in the United States. Such equipment shall be delivered to the Iraqi Government for installation in the Engineering College at Baghdad and, upon delivery to the Iraqi Government, all right, title, and interest therein shall pass to the Iraqi Government, subject to the understanding that the Iraqi Government will take appropriate steps to assure that the laboratory for which such supplies and equipment are furnished will be available to assist in the development and operation of the irrigation program undertaken by the Government of Iraq with technical assistance from the Government of the United States of America.

Upon receipt of the Ministry's reply indicating that the foregoing arrangements are acceptable to the Government of Iraq, the Government of the United States will take such further steps as may be necessary in connection with the experts and equipment referred to above.

The Embassy avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Ministry the assurances of its highest consideration.

American Embassy  
Baghdad, April 28, 1952

[TRANSLATION<sup>1</sup> — TRADUCTION<sup>2</sup>]GOVERNMENT OF IRAQ  
MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS  
ECONOMIC AND CONSULAR OFFICE  
COMMERCE SECTION

No. 11427/101/215/215

May 21, 1952

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs presents its compliments to the American Embassy in Baghdad and, with reference to the communication contained in the Embassy's note No. 589, dated May 8, 1952,<sup>3</sup> has the honor to inform it that the Government of Iraq will approve the arrangements relating to the technical assistance discussed in the Embassy's note dated December 11, 1951, and in its notes Nos. 435,<sup>4</sup> 436,<sup>5</sup> and 442,<sup>6</sup> dated February 26 and 27, 1952, concerning the employment of American experts according to the general agreement for technical cooperation with regard to Point Four of President Truman's plan. The Ministry also wishes to advise the Embassy that the Iraqi Government agrees to carry out and apply the arrangements discussed above, concerning technical assistance in other fields, to all experts employed under Point Four in all Iraqi ministries and the offices under their jurisdiction.

The Ministry avails itself of the opportunity to express to you its deepest esteem and respect.

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American Embassy  
Baghdad

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<sup>1</sup> Translation by the Government of the United States of America.<sup>2</sup> Traduction du Gouvernement des États-Unis d'Amérique.<sup>3</sup> Not printed by the Department of State of the United States of America.<sup>4</sup> United Nations, *Treaty Series*, Vol. 205, p. 25.<sup>5</sup> United Nations, *Treaty Series*, Vol. 205, p. 33.<sup>6</sup> United Nations, *Treaty Series*, Vol. 206, p. 3.