No. 2913

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND

and THAILAND

Agreement concerning the disposition of certain accounts in Thailand under Article 16 of the Treaty of Peace with Japan of 8 September 1951. Signed at Washington, on 30 July 1953

Official text: English.

Registered by the United States of America on 12 September 1955.

ÉTATS-UNIS D'AMÉRIQUE, ROYAUME-UNI DE GRANDE-BRETAGNE ET D'IRLANDE DU NORD

et THAÏLANDE

Accord relatif à l'utilisation de certains comptes en Thaïlande en application de l'article 16 du Traité de paix avec le Japon du 8 septembre 1951. Signé à Washington, le 30 juillet 1953

Texte officiel anglais.

Enregistré par les États-Unis d'Amérique le 12 septembre 1955.

No. 2913. AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND AND THAILAND CONCERNING THE DISPOSITION OF CERTAIN ACCOUNTS IN THAILAND UNDER ARTICLE 16 OF THE TREATY OF PEACE WITH JAPAN OF 8 SEPTEMBER 1951². SIGNED AT WASHINGTON, ON 30 JULY 1953

WHEREAS, on February 20, 1953, representatives of the United States, the United Kingdom, and Thailand executed an agreed minute of their discussion concerning the disposition of certain accounts in Thailand, and

Whereas, the United States and the United Kingdom recommended this proposed disposition to representatives of the following countries (members of whose armed forces suffered undue hardship while prisoners of war of Japan and are the intended beneficiaries of Article 16 of the Treaty of Peace with Japan signed at San Francisco on September 8, 1951), which met at London on March 4-6, 1953: Australia, Cambodia, Canada, France, Laos represented by France, Indonesia, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Pakistan, the Philippines, the United Kingdom, the United States, and Vietnam, and

WHEREAS, representatives of the aforementioned countries decided to recommend to their Governments the acceptance of the arrangement proposed by the United States and the United Kingdom regarding the disposition of certain accounts in Thailand, and

WHEREAS, the Governments of the aforementioned countries have accepted the recommendation which their representatives to the London meeting had made to them respecting the disposition of certain accounts in Thailand,

It is agreed by the United States, the United Kingdom, and Thailand:

- 1. The Government of Thailand will
- (a) Transfer, in accordance with Article 16 of the Treaty of Peace with Japan, the equivalent of two and one-half million United States dollars to the International Committee of the Red Cross, 50 % to be paid in pounds sterling to the Committee's account with the Swiss Banking Corporation in London, and 50 %

¹ Came into force on 30 July 1953, upon signature, in accordance with paragraph 3.
2 United Nations, Treaty Series, Vol. 136, p. 45; Vol. 163, p. 385; Vol. 184, p. 358, and Vol. 199, p. 344.

to be paid in United States dollars to the Committee's account with the Riggs National Bank in Washington, D. C.

- (b) Make available in pounds sterling to the United Kingdom the sum of £ 355,000 to be paid through the Bank of England into a deposit account with the Paymaster General entitled Burma-Thailand Railway Deposit account.
- 2. The Governments of the United States of America and of the United Kingdom will
- (a) Release all control which they now exercise over Japanese assets in Thailand transferring the said assets to an agency designated by the Government of Thailand on the same day that the Thai Government makes the payments mentioned under "1.".
- (b) Inform the Japanese Government that its obligations under Article 16 of the Treaty of Peace with Japan are considered to be satisfied with respect to Japanese assets in Thailand.
- 3. This agreement shall take effect upon signature by representatives of the three Governments.

Done in triplicate at Washington this thirtieth day of July 1953.

For the Government of the United States of America:

Walter S. ROBERTSON

For the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland:

R. H. SCOTT

For the Government of Thailand:

P. SARASIN