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No. 3020. EXCHANGE OF NOTES CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE HASHEMITE KINGDOM OF JORDAN RELATING TO EMERGENCY WHEAT AID TO JORDAN. AMMAN, 14 AND 21 OCTOBER 1953

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*The American Chargé d'Affaires ad interim to the Jordan Minister
of Foreign Affairs*

THE FOREIGN SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
AMERICAN EMBASSY

No. 59

Amman, October 14, 1953

Excellency :

I have the honor to refer to the request of the Government of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan to the Government of the United States of America for assistance in combatting starvation and suffering resulting from famine conditions among the people of Jordan as a consequence of the disastrous crop season just past. The Government of the United States of America, recognizing the burden undertaken by the Government of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan in seeking to relieve the suffering of its people, agrees to assist the Government of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan in this enterprise.

It is therefore proposed that :

1. The Government of the United States of America will, subject to the terms and conditions of the United States legislation applicable to such assistance and to the terms and conditions set forth below, furnish to the Government of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan up to 10,000 tons of wheat in the form of a grant in order to alleviate starvation and mass suffering threatened by famine conditions in Jordan. The Government of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan shall accept title to the wheat upon delivery of wheat on board vessel and shall be responsible for all costs accruing thereafter (other than the payment of freight to the initial destination in Jordan).

2. In order to ensure maximum benefits to the people of Jordan from the assistance to be furnished hereunder, the Government of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan undertakes to:

(a) Prepare, in consultation with representatives of the Government of the United States of America, a plan for the distribution of the wheat made available

¹ Came into force on 21 October 1953 by the exchange of the said notes.

under this Agreement among the people of Jordan and for the distribution of such wheat and products thereof (i) free of cost to persons who by virtue of circumstances beyond their control are unable to pay for them and (ii) to others at lowest feasible prices, as agreed upon, from time to time, by the two Governments.

(b) Include in such plan, to the maximum extent feasible, a system of public works projects which the two Governments determine to be desirable and practicable in order that both the country of Jordan and the persons receiving assistance will receive maximum benefits.

(c) Pursue all appropriate measures to reduce its relief needs, to increase production and supply, and to improve the distribution of foodstuffs within Jordan in order to lessen the danger of similar emergencies in the future.

(d) Carry out the plan agreed upon, with such modifications as may from time to time be mutually agreed to be necessary to achieve the famine relief objective.

3. In order to further the public works projects referred to above and to enhance the value to Jordan of the assistance program, the Government of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan will establish in its own name a Special Account in a bank in Jordan agreed upon by the two Governments (hereinafter called the "Special Account"), and will deposit in this account promptly amounts of local currency accruing, after deducting the transportation expenses and handling costs to the Government of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, from the sale of wheat supplied under this Agreement, or revenues otherwise accruing to the Government of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan as a result of the import of such wheat. The Government of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan may at any time make advance deposits in the Special Account.

4. The Government of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan may draw from the Special Account such amounts as may be agreed upon by the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan to defray the expenses of public works projects and other activities for the benefit of the people of Jordan agreed upon by the two Governments.

5. The Governments will, upon the request of either of them, consult regarding any matter relating to the application of this Agreement or to operations thereunder. The Government of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan will provide such information as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this Agreement, including statements on the use of assistance received hereunder and other relevant information which the Government of the United States of America may need to determine the nature and scope of its operations under this Agreement and to evaluate the effectiveness of the assistance furnished or contemplated.

6. It is assumed that the Government of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan will give full and continuous publicity in Jordan to the objectives and progress of the program under this Agreement, including information to the people of Jordan that this program is evidence of the friendship of the people of the United States of America for them. The Government of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan will make public, upon termina-

tion of this program and at least once each quarter during the course of its operation, full statements of operations hereunder, including information as to the use of assistance received and use of the local currency deposited in the Special Account.

7. The Government of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan agrees to permit representatives of the Government of the United States of America to observe, without restriction, the distribution in Jordan of wheat made available hereunder, including the provision of facilities necessary for observation and review of the administration of this Agreement and the use of assistance furnished, and to receive any additional persons who may be necessary for the purpose. Upon appropriate notification from the Government of the United States of America, the Government of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan will consider such persons as part of the Diplomatic Mission of the United States of America to the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan for the purpose of enjoying the privileges and immunities accorded to that Mission and its personnel of comparable rank.

8. All or any part of the assistance provided hereunder may be terminated by the Government of the United States of America if it is determined that, because of changed conditions, continuation of assistance is unnecessary or undesirable. Termination of assistance under this provision may include the termination of deliveries of all wheat scheduled hereunder and not yet delivered.

Upon receipt of a note from Your Excellency indicating that the provisions set forth in this note are acceptable to the Government of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, the Government of the United States of America will consider that this note and Your Excellency's reply thereto constitute an Agreement between the two Governments. Such Agreement shall enter into force on the date of Your Excellency's note in reply.

Please accept, Excellency, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

Andrew G. LYNCH

His Excellency Dr. Hussein Khalidi
Minister of Foreign Affairs
The Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan
Amman, Jordan

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*The Jordan Minister of Foreign Affairs to the American Chargé
d'Affaires ad interim*

THE HASHEMITE KINGDOM OF JORDAN
MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, AMMAN

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Date : 21st October 1953

Excellency,

I have the honour to refer to your note No. 59, dated October 14, 1953 regarding the request of the Government of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan to the Government of the United States of America for Assistance in combatting starvation and suffering resulting from famine conditions among the people of Jordan as a consequence of the disastrous crop season just past and to inform you that the Jordan Government accept the provisions set forth in your above-mentioned note.

Dr. H. F. KHALIDI
Minister for Foreign Affairs

H.E. Mr. Andrew G. Lynch
The Chargé d'Affaires of U.S.A.
Amman