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and
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**Échange de notes constituant un accord relatif à l'instruc-
tion de personnel de l'armée allemande. Bonn/Bad
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No. 4051. EXCHANGE OF NOTES CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY RELATING TO TRAINING OF GERMAN ARMY PERSONNEL. BONN/BAD GODESBERG AND BONN, 12 DECEMBER 1956

I

The American Ambassador to the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Federal Republic of Germany

AMERICAN EMBASSY
BONN/BAD GODESBERG

December 12, 1956

Excellency :

I have the honor to refer to recent conversations between representatives of our two governments relating to the training of German Army personnel. The understandings reached as a result of these conversations are as follows :

1. The United States Army will provide training assistance as may be agreed to the German Army under the terms of the Mutual Defense Assistance Agreement concluded between our two governments on June 30, 1955.

2. The Federal Republic of Germany will reimburse the United States for all costs incurred by the United States in carrying out the program for training German Army personnel, including costs of equipment transferred to the Federal Republic, except for the salaries of United States military personnel and costs of equipment and training which the United States agrees or has agreed to furnish on a grant basis under the Mutual Defense Assistance Agreement of June 30, 1955.² Reference is made to the arrangements between the Federal Government and the United States of December 21, 1955 and of March 2, 1956, under the terms of which part of the aforementioned expenditures are already covered.

3. The Federal Republic of Germany will reimburse the United States Government for, or restore or replace in kind, any facility or equipment of the United States Forces which has been damaged or destroyed by United States personnel in the performance of official duty under the training program or by German personnel during their use of such facilities or equipment under the training program.

The Federal Republic of Germany will hold the United States and its personnel harmless for all third party claims, other than contractual claims, arising out of acts or

¹ Came into force on 12 December 1956 by the exchange of the said notes.

² United Nations, *Treaty Series*, Vol. 240, p. 47.

omissions of United States or German personnel done in the performance of official duty under the training program.

4. Subsidiary implementing arrangements necessary to carry out the terms of this agreement will be concluded by the appropriate authorities of our two governments.

I have the honor to propose that this note, together with your reply confirming these understandings, constitute an agreement between the Government of the United States and the Government of the Federal Republic, effective on today's date.

Accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

James B. CONANT
American Ambassador

His Excellency Heinrich von Brentano
Minister of Foreign Affairs
of the Federal Republic of Germany
Bonn

II

The Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Federal Republic of Germany to the American Ambassador

[GERMAN TEXT — TEXTE ALLEMAND]

DER BUNDESMINISTER DES AUSWARTIGEN

Bonn, den 12 Dezember 1956

Exzellenz,

Ich habe die Ehre, mich auf die Besprechungen zu beziehen, die unlängst zwischen Vertretern unserer Regierungen bezüglich der Ausbildung deutschen Heerespersonals geführt worden sind. Die Ergebnisse dieser Besprechungen lauten folgendermaßen :

1) Die Armee der Vereinigten Staaten leistet in zu vereinbarenden Weise aufgrund der Bestimmungen des zwischen unseren beiden Regierungen am 30. Juni 1955 abgeschlossenen Abkommens über gegenseitige Verteidigungshilfe dem deutschen Heer Ausbildungshilfe.

2) Die Bundesrepublik Deutschland wird den Vereinigten Staaten alle den Vereinigten Staaten bei der Durchführung des Ausbildungsprogramms für Personal des deutschen Heeres entstandenen Kosten zurückerstatten, einschließlich der Kosten für Ausrüstung, die der Bundesrepublik übereignet worden ist, jedoch nicht die Gehälter für Militärpersonen der Vereinigten Staaten und die Kosten für Ausrüstung und Aus-

[TRANSLATION¹ — TRADUCTION²]

THE FEDERAL MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

Bonn, December 12, 1956

Excellency,

I have the honor to refer to the conversations held recently between representatives of our governments relating to the training of German Army personnel. The results of these conversations are as follows :

[*See note I*]

I have the honor to confirm to you that this note, together with your note of December 12, 1956, shall constitute an agreement between the Government of the United States and the Federal Republic, effective on the date of this note.

Accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

V. BRENTANO

His Excellency James B. Conant
Ambassador of the United States of America
Bad Godesberg

¹ Translation by the Government of the United States of America.

² Traduction du Gouvernement des États-Unis d'Amérique.