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The American Ambassador to the Argentine Minister of Foreign Affairs and Worship

EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

No. 61

Buenos Aires, April 23, 1958

Excellency:

I have the honor to refer to recent discussions between representatives of our two Governments concerning the desirability of conducting certain meteorological tests in the upper troposphere and lower stratosphere which would be of mutual benefit to our two countries and with reference to the proposal currently under consideration, my Government now proposes that these tests be conducted in Argentina in accordance with the following principles:

- 1. The Government of Argentina agrees to receive an un-armed High-Altitude Sampling Unit of the United States Air Force which may engage in such activities as may be required for the effective accomplishment of the mission of the Unit. Such activities of the Unit may begin on the date this agreement enters into force and may continue until October 30, 1959.
- 2. The access of certain designated Argentine personnel to the operations to be carried out shall be facilitated in a form to be agreed upon by appropriate authorities of each government with a view to making possible the instruction of Argentine Air Force, military and meteorological personnel. The final conclusions drawn from the meteorological tests, which will be available upon completion of the operation, will be furnished to the Government of Argentina.
- 3. Equipment, materials and supplies brought into or acquired in Argentina by or on behalf of the United States Government in connection with the activities of the High-Altitude Sampling Unit will remain the property of the United States Government and such property may be brought into and removed from Argentina free of all taxes and duties.

¹ Came into force on 28 April 1958 by the exchange of the said notes.

- 4. Members of the High-Altitude Sampling Unit shall be immune from civil jurisdiction of Argentine courts for acts or omissions directly arising out of the performance of their official duties.
- 5. The personnel of the High-Altitude Sampling Unit and the members of their families shall be governed by the disciplinary regulations of the United States Armed Forces. United States Air Force authorities shall take appropriate disciplinary action with respect to all offenses committed by such personnel and upon the request of the Government of the Argentine Republic shall remove such personnel from the Argentine Republic.

The members of the High-Altitude Sampling Unit and their families shall enjoy the same immunities from taxes as the members of the diplomatic mission of the United States of America in the Argentine Republic.

The household effects, baggage and automobiles of members of the High-Altitude Sampling Unit, as well as articles imported by the members of the Unit for their personal use and for the use of members of their families, or for official use of the Unit, shall be exempt from import taxes, custom duties, inspections and restrictions by the Government of the Argentine Republic and allowed free entry and egress upon request of the Chief of Mission. The rights and privileges accorded under this Article shall in general be the same as those accorded diplomatic personnel of the United States Embassy in the Argentine Republic.

6. Further detailed arrangements regarding technical requirements of the Unit will be agreed to by the authorities of both Governments, as appropriate.

If the foregoing principles are acceptable to your Government I have the honor to propose that this note and Your Excellency's reply thereto indicating such acceptance shall constitute an agreement between our two Governments on this matter effective the date of your note in reply.

Willard L. BEAULAC

His Excellency Dr. Alejandro Ceballos Minister of Foreign Affairs and Worship Buenos Aires

[Translation¹ — Traduction²]

MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND WORSHIP D.A.N.

No. 626

Buenos Aires, April 28, 1958

Mr. Ambassador:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Your Excellency's note No. 61, dated the 23d of this month, the text of which is as follows:

[See note I]

In communicating to Your Excellency my Government's acceptance of the terms of the note transcribed, I renew to the Ambassador the assurances of my most distinguished consideration.

Alejandro CEBALLOS

His Excellency Willard L. Beaulac Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America Buenos Aires

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

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