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I

The American Chargé d'Affaires ad interim to the Minister for External Affairs of India

THE FOREIGN SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

No. 544

New Delhi, April 16, 1958

Excellency:

I have the honor to refer to the Agreement between our two Governments effected by an exchange of notes signed at Washington on March 7 and 16, 1951.² It is the understanding of my Government that Your Excellency's Government considers the assurances contained in that Agreement regarding transactions under the Mutual Defense Assistance Act of 1949, as amended, to be applicable also to equipment, materials, information and services furnished under the Mutual Security Act of 1954, that Act as amended from time to time, and such other applicable United States laws as may come into effect.

I should appreciate it if Your Excellency's Government would confirm the understanding of my Government as stated above.

Accept, Excellency, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

Winthrop G. Brown Chargé d'Affaires ad interim

His Excellency Jawaharlal Nehru Minister for External Affairs New Delhi

¹ Came into force on 17 December 1958 by the exchange of the said notes.
² United Nations, *Treaty Series*, Vol. 141, p. 47.

II

The Foreign Secretary, Ministry of External Affairs of India, to the American Ambassador

MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS NEW DELHI

Foreign Secretary

No. FS/1402

December 17, 1958

Dear Mr. Ambassador,

Please refer to the following letter to the Prime Minister from Mr. Winthrop G. Brown:

[See note I]

2. I am directed by the Government of India to confirm that the assurances contained in the Agreement between our two Governments effected by an exchange of notes signed at Washington on March 7 & 16, 1951 are applicable also to supplies and services furnished to the Government of India by the Government of the United States of America under the Mutual Security Act of 1954 as amended from time to time. I am to add that in fact, as is well known, the firm policy of India is to work for international peace and on no account does the Government of India even consider the possibility of aggression against any other State.

Accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

S. Dutt Foreign Secretary

His Excellency Mr. Ellsworth Bunker Ambassador of the United States of America New Delhi