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No. 6256. EXCHANGE OF NOTES CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THAILAND RELATING TO THE PEACE CORPS PROGRAM. BANGKOK, 20 AND 28 NOVEMBER 1961

I

The American Ambassador to the Thai Minister of Foreign Affairs

Bangkok, November 20, 1961

No. 1504

Excellency :

I have the honor to refer to recent conversations between representatives of our two Governments concerning appropriate arrangements with respect to the men and women of the United States of America who volunteer to serve in the Peace Corps and who, at the request of your Government, would live and work for periods of time in the Kingdom of Thailand. In these conversations your Government has indicated it would welcome Peace Corps Volunteers and Volunteer Leaders.

I have the honor to propose the following understandings with respect to the Peace Corps :

1. The Government of Thailand will accord equitable treatment to Peace Corps Volunteers and Volunteer Leaders, both as to their persons and their property ; afford them, particularly in case of need, full aid and protection ; exempt them from immigration fees, from income tax as to all income derived from their Peace Corps work and from sources outside Thailand, from social security taxes, and from tax on commodities except those included in prices of goods and services ; permit duty-free entry of personal effects and household goods, not including a motorized vehicle, brought into Thailand within a period of six months after the first arrival of the owner ; and fully inform and consult and cooperate with representatives of my Government with respect to all matters concerning them. The names of the Peace Corps Volunteers and Volunteer Leaders arriving will be communicated to the Thai appropriate authorities from time to time.

2. The Government of Thailand will accept a Peace Corps representative and his staff who will discharge functions for the United States Government with respect to Peace Corps programs ; will exempt them from immigration fees and from income tax as to all income derived from their Peace Corps work and from sources outside Thailand, from

¹ Came into force on 28 November 1961 by the exchange of the said notes.

social security taxes, and from taxes on commodities except those included in prices of goods and services ; and will accord them the same treatment with respect to payment of customs duties on personal property, equipment, and supplies imported into Thailand for their own use as is accorded personnel of comparable rank or grade of the Embassy of the United States of America. The names of such representative and his staff will be communicated to Thai appropriate authorities concerned.

3. The Government of Thailand will exempt equipment, materials, and provisions used in connection with Peace Corps programs from taxes, investment, or deposit requirements and from customs duties.

4. Appropriate representatives of our two Governments may make from time to time such arrangements with respect to Peace Corps Volunteers and Volunteer Leaders and Peace Corps programs in Thailand as appear necessary or desirable for purposes of implementing this Agreement.

Finally, I have the honor to propose, if these understandings are acceptable to the Government of Thailand, this note and your reply note concurring therein shall constitute an Agreement between our two Governments which shall enter into force on the date of Your Excellency's reply note and which shall remain in force until ninety days after receipt by either Government of written notification of the other to terminate it.

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

Kenneth T. YOUNG, Jr.

His Excellency Thanat Khoman
Minister of Foreign Affairs
Bangkok

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The Thai Minister of Foreign Affairs to the American Ambassador

MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS
SARANROM PALACE

November 28, B.E. 2504.¹

No. 50674/2504

Excellency :

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Note No. 1504 of November 20, 1961, which reads as follows :

[See note I]

¹ November 28, 1961.

In reply, I have the honour to inform Your Excellency that the foregoing provisions are acceptable to the Royal Thai Government, who therefore agree that your Note and this reply shall be regarded as constituting an Agreement between the two Governments in this matter, which shall enter into force on this day's date.

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

Th. KHOMAN
Minister of Foreign Affairs

His Excellency Monsieur Kenneth Todd Young, Jr.
Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary
of the United States of America
Bangkok