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No. 6375. EXCHANGE OF NOTES CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND LIBERIA RELATING TO THE PEACE CORPS PROGRAM. MONROVIA, 5 AND 8 MARCH 1962

I

The American Ambassador to the Liberian Secretary of State

Monrovia, March 5, 1962

No. 9

Excellency :

I have the honor to refer to recent conversations between representatives of our two governments and to propose the following understandings 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 Liberia.

1. The Government of the United States will furnish such Peace Corps Volunteers as may be requested by the Government of Liberia and approved by the Government of the United States to perform mutually agreed tasks in Liberia. The Volunteers will work under the immediate supervision of governmental or private organizations in Liberia designated by our two governments. The Government of the United States will provide training to enable the Volunteers to perform more effectively these agreed tasks.

2. The Government of Liberia will accord equitable treatment to the Volunteers and their property ; afford them full aid and protection, including treatment no less favorable than that accorded generally to nationals of the United States residing in Liberia ; and fully inform, consult and cooperate with representatives of the Government of the United States with respect to all matters concerning them. The Government of Liberia will exempt the Volunteers from all taxes on payments which they receive to defray their living costs and on income from sources outside Liberia, from all customs duties or other charges on their personal property introduced into Liberia for their own use at or about the time of their arrival, and from all other taxes or other charges (including immigration fees) except license fees and taxes and other charges included in the prices of equipment, supplies and services.

¹ Came into force on 12 March 1962, upon receipt by the Government of the United States of America of the note from the Government of Liberia, in accordance with the terms of the latter note.

3. The Government of the United States will provide the Volunteers with such limited amounts of equipment and supplies as our two governments may agree are needed to enable the Volunteers to perform their tasks effectively. The Government of Liberia will exempt from all taxes, customs duties and other charges, all equipment and supplies introduced into or acquired in Liberia by the Government of the United States, or any contractor financed by it, for use hereunder.

4. To enable the Government of the United States to discharge its responsibilities under this agreement, the Government of Liberia will receive a representative of the Peace Corps and such staff of the representative and such personnel of United States private organizations performing functions hereunder under contract with the Government of the United States as are acceptable to the Government of Liberia. The Government of Liberia will exempt such persons from all taxes on income derived from their Peace Corps work or sources outside Liberia, and from all other taxes or other charges (including immigration fees) except license fees and taxes and other charges included in the prices of equipment, supplies and services. The Government of Liberia will accord the Peace Corps Representative and his staff the same treatment with respect to the payment of customs duties or other charges on personal property introduced into Liberia for their own use as in accorded personnel of comparable rank or grade of the Embassy of the United States and will accord such personnel of United States private organizations performing functions hereunder the same treatment with respect to the payment of customs duties or other charges on personal property introduced into Liberia for their own use as is accorded volunteers hereunder.

5. Appropriate representatives of our two governments may make from time to time such arrangements with respect to Peace Corps Volunteers and Peace Corps programs in Liberia as appear necessary or desirable for the purpose of implementing this agreement. The undertakings of each government herein are subject to the availability of funds and to the applicable laws of that government.

I have the further honor to propose that, if these understandings are acceptable to your Government, this note and your Government's reply note concurring therein shall constitute an agreement between our two governments which shall enter into force on the date of your Government's note and shall remain in force until ninety days after the date of the written notification from either government to the other of intention to terminate it.

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

Elbert G. MATHEWS

His Excellency J. Rudolph Grimes
Secretary of State of the Republic of Liberia
Monrovia

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The Liberian Secretary of State to the American Ambassador

DEPARTMENT OF STATE
MONROVIA, LIBERIA

March 8, 1962

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Mr. Ambassador :

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter No. 9 of 5th March 1962, which reads as follows :

[See note I]

The Liberian Government accepts the undertakings in this Note and understands that upon receipt of this Note, your Note and this reply shall constitute the agreement between the Liberian Government and the United States Government.

Please accept, Mr. Ambassador, the assurance of my high consideration and esteem.

J. Rudolph GRIMES
Secretary of State

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