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No. 6637. EXCHANGE OF NOTES CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND NEPAL RELATING TO THE PEACE CORPS PROGRAM. KATHMANDU, 24 AUGUST 1962

I

The American Ambassador to the Nepalese Minister for Foreign Affairs

EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Kathmandu, August 24, 1962

No. 34

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 Nepal.

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

2. His Majesty's Government of Nepal 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 Nepal ; and fully inform and consult with representatives of the Government of the United States with respect to all matters concerning them. His Majesty's Government of Nepal will exempt the Volunteers from all taxes on payments which they receive to defray their living costs and on income from sources outside Nepal, from all customs duties or other charges on their personal property introduced into Nepal for their own use at or about the time of their arrival, and from all other taxes or charges (including immigration fees) except license fees and taxes or other charges included in the price of equipment, supplies and services.

¹ Came into force on 24 August 1962 by the exchange of the said notes.

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. His Majesty's Government of Nepal will exempt from all taxes, customs duties and other charges, all equipment and supplies introduced into or acquired in Nepal by the Government of the United States for use hereunder.

4. To enable the Government of the United States to discharge its responsibilities under this agreement, His Majesty's Government of Nepal 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 Nepal. His Majesty's Government of Nepal will exempt such persons from all taxes on income derived from their Peace Corps work or sources outside Nepal, and from all other taxes or other charges (including immigration fees) except license fees and taxes or other charges included in the prices of equipment, supplies and services. His Majesty's Government of Nepal 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 Nepal for their own use as is accorded personnel of comparable rank or grade of the United States Aid Mission (USAID).

5. United States Government funds introduced into Nepal for Peace Corps programs will receive the same treatment as funds of the Embassy of the United States of America for purposes of investment/deposit requirements, currency controls and exchange rates.

6. Duty is liable to be paid in respect of any articles imported into Nepal hereunder without payment of duty and disposed of either by sale or by gift within five years of importation. Articles distributed or used up in the course of activities pursuant to this agreement are not considered to be disposed of by gift or by sale for the purpose of this paragraph. Articles transferred by sale, gift or otherwise to other agencies of the United States Government, to Volunteers, or to other persons entitled to customs free importation of such articles shall not be liable to duty under this paragraph. Any duty imposed under this paragraph shall be based on the value of the article at the time of the sale or gift.

7. 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 Nepal as appear necessary or desirable for the purpose of implementing this agreement. They also may from time to time make a joint review of the progress of the Peace Corps program. 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 assurances of my highest consideration.

Henry E. STEBBINS

His Excellency Rishikesh Shaha
Minister for Foreign Affairs
Kathmandu

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The Nepalese Minister for Foreign Affairs to the American Ambassador

MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS
KATHMANDU
NEPAL

August 24, 1962

Excellency :

I have the honour to refer to recent conversations between representatives of our two Governments and to confirm that the following understanding with respect to the men and women of the United States of America who volunteer to serve in the Peace Corps have been shared by His Majesty's Government of Nepal.

[See note I]

This note in exchange yours shall constitute an agreement between our two Governments which shall enter into force from this date 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 assurances of my highest consideration.

Yours sincerely,

Rishikesh SHAHA

His Excellency Mr. Henry E. Stebbins
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