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The American Ambassador to the Honduran Minister of Foreign Affairs

Tegucigalpa, D.C., July 16, 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 the Republic of Honduras.

- 1. The Government of the United States will furnish such Peace Corps Volunteers as may be requested by the Government of the Republic of Honduras and approved by the Government of the United States to perform mutually agreed tasks in the Republic of Honduras. The Volunteers will work under the immediate supervision of governmental or private organizations in the Republic of Honduras 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. The Government of the Republic of Honduras 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 the Republic of Honduras; 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 the Republic of Honduras will exempt the Volunteers from all taxes on payments which they receive to defray their living costs and on income from sources outside the Republic of Honduras, from all customs duties or other charges on their personal property introduced into the Republic of Honduras 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 or other charges included in the prices of equipment, supplies and services.
- 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

¹ Came into force on 20 July 1962 by the exchange of the said notes.

of the Republic of Honduras will exempt from all taxes, customs duties and other charges, all equipment and supplies introduced into or acquired in the Republic of Honduras 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 the Republic of Honduras 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 the Republic of Honduras. The Government of the Republic of Honduras will exempt such persons from all taxes on income derived from their Peace Corps work or sources outside the Republic of Honduras, 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. The Government of the Republic of Honduras 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 the Republic of Honduras for their own use as is accorded personnel of comparable rank or grade of the Embassy of the United States. The Government of the Republic of Honduras will accord personnel of United States private organizations under contract with the Government of the United States the same treatment with respect to the payment of customs duties or other charges on personal property introduced into the Republic of Honduras for their own use as is accorded Volunteers hereunder.
- 5. The Government of the Republic of Honduras will exempt from investment and deposit requirements and currency controls all funds introduced into the Republic of Honduras for use hereunder by the Government of the United States or contractors financed by it. Such funds shall be convertible into currency of the Republic of Honduras at the highest rate which is not unlawful in the Republic of Honduras.
- 6. 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 the Republic of Honduras 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.

Charles R. Burrows

His Excellency Lic. Andrés Alvarado Puerto Minister of Foreign Affairs Tegucigalpa, D.C. [Translation 1 — Traduction 2]

DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE REPUBLIC OF HONDURAS Diplomatic Section

Tegucigalpa, D.C., July 20, 1962

No. 932.-A.VM.

Mr. Ambassador:

I have the honor to refer to Your Excellency's note No. 9, dated the 16th of this month, which concerns the recent conversations between representatives of our two Governments and in which you are good enough to propose 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 my Government, would live and work periodically in the Republic of Honduras, the text of which in the English language reads as follows:

[See note I]

In reply to the aforesaid note, I am happy to inform Your Excellency that the Government of Honduras agrees to the understandings proposed by the Government of the United States of America and, consequently, accepts the stipulations contained therein.

The Government of Honduras also agrees that Your Excellency's note and this note in reply shall together constitute an agreement between our two Governments, which shall enter into force on the date of this note and shall remain in force until ninety days after the date of the written notification from either Government to the other of its intention to terminate it.

Accept, Excellency, the renewed assurances of my highest and most distinguished consideration.

Andrés ALVARADO PUERTO Minister of Foreign Affairs [SEAL]

His Excellency Charles R. Burrows
Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary
of the United States of America
City

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

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