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The American Ambassador to the Ethiopian Acting Minister of Foreign Affairs

Addis Ababa, May 23, 1962

No. 715

Excellency:

I have the honor to reter 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 Ethiopia.

- 1. The Government of the United States will furnish such Peace Corps Volunteers as may be requested by the Imperial Ethiopian Government and approved by the Government of the United States to perform mutually agreed tasks in Ethiopia. The Volunteers will work under the supervision of the Imperial Ethiopian Government. The Government of the United States will provide training to enable the Volunteers to perform more effectively their agreed tasks.
- 2. The Imperial Ethiopian Government 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 Ethiopia in private capacity; and fully cooperate with representatives of the Government of the United States with respect to all matters concerning them. The Imperial Ethiopian Government will exempt the Volunteers from all taxes on payments which they receive to defray their living costs and on income from sources outside Ethiopia, from all customs duties or other charges on their personal property introduced into Ethiopia 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 price of equipment, supplies and services.

¹ Came into force on 23 May 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. The Imperial Ethiopian Government will exempt from all taxes, customs duties and other charges, all equipment and supplies introduced into or acquired in Ethiopia 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, the Imperial Ethiopian Government will receive a representative of the Peace Corps and such staff of the representative as are acceptable to the Imperial Ethiopian Government. The Imperial Ethiopian Government will exempt such persons from all taxes on income derived from their Peace Corps work or sources outside Ethiopia, and from all other taxes or other charges (including immigration fees) except license fees and taxes or other charges included in the price of equipment, supplies and services. The Imperial Ethiopian Government 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 Ethiopia for their own use as is accorded personnel of comparable rank or grade of the Embassy of the United States.
- 5. The Imperial Ethiopian Government will exempt from investment and deposit requirements and currency controls all funds introduced into Ethiopia for use hereunder by the Government of the United States. Such funds shall be convertible into currency of Ethiopia at the legal rate.
- 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 Ethiopia 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.

Arthur L. RICHARDS

His Excellency Ato Ketema Yifru Acting Foreign Minister Ministry of Foreign Affairs Imperial Ethiopian Government Addis Ababa

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The Ethiopian Acting Minister of Foreign Affairs to the American Ambassador

MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

Addis Ababa, May 23, 1962

No. 9885/62/4/54

Excellency:

I have the honor to refer to recent conversations between representatives of our two Governments and to accept 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 Ethiopia.

[See note I]

I have the further honor to agree that your Government's Note and this Note in reply 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.

Ketema YIFRU

His Excellency Arthur L. Richards Ambassador of the United States of America Addis Ababa