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**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
and  
PHILIPPINES**

**Exchange of notes constituting an agreement relating to the relinquishment of the United States Naval Radio Transmitting Facility located at Bagobantay, Quezon City. Manila, 31 December 1962 and 11 January 1963**

*Official text: English.*

*Registered by the United States of America on 6 August 1963.*

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**ÉTATS-UNIS D'AMÉRIQUE  
et  
PHILIPPINES**

**Échange de notes constituant un accord portant renonciation, par les États-Unis, à leurs droits sur la station émettrice de la marine américaine à Bagobantay (Quezon City). Manille, 31 décembre 1962 et 11 janvier 1963**

*Texte officiel anglais.*

*Enregistré par les États-Unis d'Amérique le 6 août 1963.*

No. 6853. EXCHANGE OF NOTES CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT<sup>1</sup> BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE PHILIPPINES RELATING TO THE RELINQUISHMENT OF THE UNITED STATES NAVAL RADIO TRANSMITTING FACILITY LOCATED AT BAGOBANTAY, QUEZON CITY. MANILA, 31 DECEMBER 1962 AND 11 JANUARY 1963

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*The American Ambassador to the Vice President of the Republic of the Philippines*

EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Manila, December 31, 1962

No. 557

Excellency :

I have the honor to refer to recent discussions between representatives of our two Governments concerning relinquishment of the United States Naval Radio Transmitting Facility located at Bagobantay, Quezon City.

The Government of the United States of America hereby relinquishes the aforesaid facility, effective midnight January 15, 1963, to the Government of the Republic of the Philippines pursuant to Article I, paragraph 3 of the Agreement of March 14, 1947,<sup>2</sup> concerning military bases. It is understood that the Philippine Government will hold the United States Government harmless from any claims which may arise from the use by others than the United States of the area released, except for those meritorious claims paid by the United States.

With specific reference to the Department's Note No. 2118-62,<sup>3</sup> the Government of the United States of America concurs with the proposal of the Government of the Republic of the Philippines that the latter use the Bagobantay site as an area in which to relocate the activities of the Joint United States Military Advisory Group,

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<sup>1</sup> Came into force on 15 January 1963, in accordance with the terms of the said notes.

<sup>2</sup> United Nations, *Treaty Series*, Vol. 43, p. 271 ; Vol. 68, p. 272 ; Vol. 185, p. 334 ; Vol. 213, p. 370 ; Vol. 229, p. 282, and Vol. 325, p. 332.

<sup>3</sup> Not printed by the Department of State of the United States of America.

subject to the conclusion of detailed arrangements with the Government of the Republic of the Philippines in accordance with Articles 7 and 8 (b), Mutual Defense Assistance Agreement of July 5, 1953.<sup>1</sup>

If the foregoing is acceptable to your Government, I have the honor to propose that this note and Your Excellency's reply thereto indicating such acceptance shall constitute an agreement between our two Governments which shall enter into force at midnight, January 15, 1963.

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

William E. STEVENSON

His Excellency Emmanuel Pelaez  
Vice President of the Republic of the Philippines

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*The Vice President of the Republic of the Philippines to the American Ambassador*

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES  
DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

Manila, January 11, 1963

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Excellency :

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Your Excellency's Note No. 557 dated December 31, 1962, reading as follows :

[See note I]

I have the honor to inform Your Excellency that the Government of the Republic of the Philippines accepts the turn-over of Bagobantay and the understandings mentioned in the above-quoted note, and agrees to consider said note and the present reply as constituting an agreement between our two Governments.

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

Emmanuel PELAEZ

His Excellency William E. Stevenson  
American Ambassador  
Manila

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<sup>1</sup> United Nations, *Treaty Series*, Vol. 213, p. 77, and Vol. 270, p. 400.