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ON 12 AUGUST 1965

The high contracting parties :

- considering the increasing local power requirements of each country
 - considering that the optimum utilization of hydro-electric power through a harmonious cooperation between the two countries is of major interest for economic development
 - considering the mutual advantages of regional interconnexion of the high tension networks
- covenant and enter into the following agreements :

Article 1

The high contracting parties decide to establish interconnexion of the high tension electric networks of the two countries.

Article 2

The installations required to this end shall be constructed by each of the high contracting parties on its own national territory, where each of the two countries shall have full property title to said installations and ensure their operation, with the exception noted in Article 6.

Article 3

The points of junction of the networks will in each case be subject to special agreements.

Article 4

The power supplied by one of the high contracting parties to the other shall be paid on quarterly (or monthly) statements, on the basis of the number of Kilowatt/hours supplied, at a rate to be determined in accordance with Article 7.

Article 5

Under this Convention, it is agreed to establish a first interconnexion in the Vientiane-Nongkhai area, at the most appropriate crossing point, for transport and

¹ Came into force on 12 August 1965, upon approval by the two Contracting Governments in accordance with article 8.

exchanges between Laos and Thailand of hydro-electric power generated at the Nam Pong tributary project in Thailand and the Nam Ngum tributary project in Laos.

Article 6

The Mekong Committee undertakes to supply, for the transmission of power, transmission lines crossing the Mekong, which lines shall be the property of the Mekong Committee ; the Government of Laos undertakes to ensure maintenance and proper operation of this line in its national territory up to the common border between the two countries in the channel of the Mekong river ; and the Government of Thailand undertakes to ensure maintenance and proper operation of this line in its national territory up to the common border between the two countries in the channel of the Mekong river.

Article 7

All implementation methods and the rates to be applied shall be determined by joint agreement of the two Delegations appointed by the power production and distribution authorities of the two contracting countries, duly empowered to do so by their respective governments.

Article 8

This convention, as well as any further agreements relating to implementation methods, shall come into force immediately upon approval by the two contracting governments.

SIGNED AND APPROVED in Vientiane on 12 August 1965 :

For Laos :

Phouangkeoh PHANARETH
Member for Laos in the Mekong Committee

For Thailand :

Boonrod BINSON
Member for Thailand in the Mekong Committee

DONE in the presence and with the concurrence of the following signatories as parties directly interested in the comprehensive development of the Lower Mekong

Basin for the benefit of all the people of the Basin without distinction as to politics or nationality :

For Cambodia :

Measketh CAIMIRANE

Chief of the Cambodian Delegation to the 29th Session
of the Mekong Committee

For the Republic of Viet-Nam :

TRINH-NGOC-SANH

Chairman and Member for Viet-Nam in the Mekong
Committee

Executive Secretary of the United Nations Economic Commission for Asia and the
Far East :

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Executive Agent of the Committee for Co-ordination of Investigations of the Lower
Mekong Basin :

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