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**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
and
LIBERIA**

**Exchange of notes constituting an agreement relating to
the transfer to Liberia of title to the Port of Monrovia
(with schedule). Monrovia, 13 and 14 April 1964**

Official text: English.

Registered by the United States of America on 25 February 1965.

**ÉTATS-UNIS D'AMÉRIQUE
et
LIBÉRIA**

**Échange de notes constituant un accord relatif au transfert
au Libéria de la propriété du Port de Monrovia (avec
annexe). Monrovia, 13 et 14 avril 1964**

Texte officiel anglais.

Enregistré par les États-Unis d'Amérique le 25 février 1965.

No. 7606. EXCHANGE OF NOTES CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND LIBERIA RELATING TO THE TRANSFER TO LIBERIA OF TITLE TO THE PORT OF MONROVIA. MONROVIA, 13 AND 14 APRIL 1964

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The American Ambassador to the Secretary of State of Liberia

Monrovia, Liberia, April 13, 1964

No. 14

Excellency :

I have the honor to refer to the recent discussions between representatives of the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of Liberia relating to the Port of Monrovia and the Agreement between our two governments signed at Monrovia on December 31, 1943.²

In accordance with the recent discussions, I have the honor to propose that the Agreement of December 31, 1943, shall no longer be in effect; that the Government of the United States will transfer to the Republic of Liberia full title to the Port and any and all rights heretofore possessed by the United States in and with respect to the Port of Monrovia; that the Republic of Liberia will pay to the Government of the United States the sum of \$18,922,682.39, the outstanding balance of the Lend-Lease financed construction cost of the Port of Monrovia, in accordance with the schedule of payments annexed hereto³ and, in any event, will complete such payments on or before January 1, 1999; and that the Government of the United States will, with the consent and approval of the Government of Liberia, surrender any and all rights and be relieved of any obligations it may have in or with respect to the Monrovia Port Management contract dated July 26, 1948, between the Government of the Republic of Liberia and the Monrovia Port Management Company, Ltd.⁴

I have the honor to propose further that the Government of the United States and the Government of the Republic of Liberia conclude an agreement for financing programs of educational and cultural exchange.⁵ The Government of the United States will make available to carry out the purposes of this educational and cultural program currency of the Republic of Liberia in amounts

¹ Came into force on 14 April 1964 by the exchange of the said notes.

² United Nations, *Treaty Series*, Vol. 106, p. 199.

³ See p. 224 of this volume.

⁴ Not printed by the Department of State of the United States of America.

⁵ Signed 8 May 1964; see p. 239 of this volume.

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equal to the payments received by the Government of the United States pursuant to the present agreement, subject to the availability of appropriations when required by the laws of the United States of America.

If the foregoing provisions are acceptable to the Government of Liberia, I have the honor to propose that this note, together with your Excellency's reply to that effect, shall constitute an agreement which shall enter into force on the date of that reply.

Accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Charles E. RHETTS

His Excellency J. Rudolph Grimes
Secretary of State of the Republic of Liberia

SCHEDULE

	<i>Dollars</i>
1963	75,000
1964	150,000
1965	150,000
1966	187,500
1967	187,500
1968	225,000
1969	225,000
1970/77	375,000 annually
1978/79	560,000 annually
1980/98	675,000 annually
1999	777,682.39

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The Secretary of State of Liberia to the American Ambassador

DEPARTMENT OF STATE
MONROVIA, LIBERIA

April 14, 1964

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Mr. Ambassador :

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter No. 14, dated April 13, 1964, in regard to the recent discussions between representatives of the Government of the Republic of Liberia and the Government of the United States of America relating to the Port of Monrovia and the Agreement between the two Governments which was signed at Monrovia on December 31, 1943, and which letter reads word for word as follows :

[See note I]

The Liberian Government accepts the undertakings in your letter under reply and understands that upon receipt of this letter, your letter and this letter will constitute the Agreement between the Liberian Government and the Government of the United States of America.

Please accept, Mr. Ambassador, the assurance of my high consideration and esteem.

J. Rudolph GRIMES
Secretary of State

His Excellency Charles E. Rhetts
Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary
Embassy of the United States of America
Monrovia, Liberia
