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The American Consul to the Governor of British Honduras CONSULATE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Belize, July 26, 1962

No. 1

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 British Honduras.

- 1. The Government of the United States will furnish such Peace Corps Volunteers as may be requested by the Government of British Honduras and approved by the Government of the United States to perform mutually agreed tasks in British Honduras. The Volunteers will work under the immediate supervision of governmental or private organizations in British Honduras designated by our two Governments. The Government of the United States will provide training to enable the Volunteers to perform more effectively these agreed tasks.
- 2. The Government of British 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 British 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 British Honduras will exempt the Volunteers from all taxes on payments which they receive to defray their living costs and on income from sources outside British

¹ Came into force on 15 August 1962 by the exchange of the said notes.

Honduras, from all customs duties or other charges on their personal property introduced into British 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 and 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 should be provided by it to enable the Volunteers to perform their tasks effectively. The Government of British Honduras will exempt from all taxes, customs duties and other charges, all equipment and supplies introduced into or acquired in British Honduras by the Government of the United States, or any contractor financed by it, for use hereunder.
- To enable the Government of the United States to discharge its responsibilities under this agreement, the Government of British Honduras will receive a representative of the Peace Corps and such United States 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 British Honduras. The Government of British Honduras will exempt such persons from all taxes on income derived from their Peace Corps work or sources outside British Honduras, and from all other taxes or other charges (including immigration fees) except license fees and taxes and other charges included in the prices of equipment, supplies and services. The Government of British Honduras will accord the Peace Corps Representative and his United States staff the same treatment with respect to the payment of customs duties or other charges on personal property introduced into British Honduras for their own use as is accorded personnel of comparable rank or grade of the consular mission of the United States; and will accord personnel of United States private organizations performing functions hereunder the same treatment with respect to the payment of customs duties or other charges on personal property introduced into British Honduras for their own use as is accorded Volunteers hereunder.
- 5. The Government of British Honduras will exempt from investment and deposit requirements and currency controls all funds introduced into British Honduras for use hereunder by the Government of the United States or contractors financed by it.
- 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 British 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.

Harrison W. Burgess

His Excellency Sir Peter H. G. Stallard, K.C.M.G., C.V.O., M.B.E. Governor of British Honduras

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The First Minister of British Honduras to the American Consul

BRITISH HONDURAS OFFICE OF THE FIRST MINISTER

Belize City, 15th August, 1962

No. 6403/9/1/62 (35)

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge your Note No. 1 of the 26th of July, 1962, addressed to His Excellency the Governor concerning the understandings reached between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of British Honduras as to the conditions under which the Government of the United States will send members of the Peace Corps to work in this country.

- 2. I confirm that the understandings set out therein are acceptable to the Government of British Honduras and that your Note under reference and this reply will constitute an Agreement between our two Governments, which Agreement shall come into force on the date hereof and remain in force until ninety days after the written notification from either Government to the other of intention to terminate it.
- 3. I take this opportunity of conveying to you an assurance of my highest consideration.

I have the honour to be, Sir, your obedient Servant,

George PRICE First Minister

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