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**NEW ZEALAND
and
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**NOUVELLE-ZÉLANDE
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No. 8657. EXCHANGE OF LETTERS BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF NEW ZEALAND AND THE GOVERNMENT OF WESTERN SAMOA CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT¹ CONCERNING THE PROVISION OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR PLANTATIONS RESTORATION. APIA, 29 JULY 1966

I

His Excellency Mr O. P. Gabites, High Commissioner for New Zealand in Western Samoa, to the Honourable F. C. F. Nelson, Acting Minister of Finance in Western Samoa

OFFICE OF THE HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR NEW ZEALAND

Apia, Western Samoa, 29 July 1966

Your Excellency,

I have the honour to refer to discussions which have taken place between the representatives of our respective Governments concerning the provision of financial assistance to facilitate the restoration of plantations in Western Samoa which were damaged by the recent hurricane. I now have the honour on behalf of the Government of New Zealand to propose that in order to give effect to the decision of the Government of New Zealand to make available to the Government of Western Samoa certain funds as a measure of assistance towards the Plantations Hurricane Disaster Restoration Programme an agreement be reached between our two Governments in the following terms:

- (a) the Government of New Zealand will make available to the Government of Western Samoa a grant of a sum of £25,000 in New Zealand currency of which amount a sum of £10,000 shall be set aside for and, excepting insofar as may otherwise be agreed upon by the two Governments, be expended upon the provision of field experts to supervise the agricultural and financial aspects of the Plantations Hurricane Disaster Restoration Programme;
- (b) the Government of New Zealand will advance to the Government of Western Samoa a loan which would be a charge upon the public revenues of Western Samoa of a sum of £75,000 in New Zealand currency to be interest free for three

¹ Came into force on 29 July 1966 by the exchange of the said letters

years from the date of the advance ; thereafter during the ensuing period of five years the loan shall be repaid in New Zealand currency by equal annual instalments and interest calculated at a rate of five per cent shall be paid in New Zealand currency on the reducing balance thereof by the Government of Western Samoa to the Government of New Zealand ;

- (c) the Government of Western Samoa shall apply all monies received pursuant to this agreement to the Plantations Hurricane Disaster Restoration Programme ;
- (d) representatives of the Government of New Zealand and the Government of Western Samoa will settle to the satisfaction of the two Governments, such further terms and arrangements as may be necessary to give effect to this agreement.

If the foregoing provisions are acceptable to the Government of Western Samoa I have the honour to suggest that the present letter and your Excellency's reply in similar terms should constitute an agreement between our two Governments.

I have the honour to be, Sir,
Your obedient servant,

O. P. GABITES

II

The Honourable F. C. F. Nelson, Acting Minister of Finance in Western Samoa, to His Excellency Mr. O. P. Gabites, High Commissioner for New Zealand in Western Samoa

OFFICE OF THE PRIME MINISTER

Apia, Western Samoa, 29 July 1966

Your Excellency,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of Your Excellency's letter of today's date which reads as follows :

[See letter I]

I have the honour to inform Your Excellency that the Government of Western Samoa accepts the foregoing provisions and regards Your Excellency's letter and my present reply as constituting an agreement between our two Governments.

I have the honour to be, Sir,
Your obedient servant,

F. C. F. NELSON