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EXCHANGE OF NOTES CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC RELATING TO THE PEACE CORPS

ÉCHANGE DE NOTES CONSTITUANT UN ACCORD¹ ENTRE LES ÉTATS-UNIS D'AMÉRIQUE ET LA RÉPUBLIQUE CENTRAFRICAINE RELATIF AU PEACE CORPS

I

The American Ambassador to the President of the Central African Republic

L'Ambassadeur des États-Unis d'Amérique au Président de la République Centrafricaine

EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

No. 46

Bangui, September 9, 1966

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 the Central African Republic.

1. The Government of the United States will furnish such Peace Corps Volunteers as may be requested by the Government of the Central African Republic and approved by the Government of the United States to perform mutually agreed tasks in the Central African Republic. The Volunteers will work under the immediate supervision of governmental or private organizations in the Central African Republic designated by our two Governments. The Government of the United States will provide training to enable the Volunteers to perform more effectively their agreed tasks.

2. The Government of the Central African Republic 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 the Central African Republic; 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 the Central African Republic will exempt the Volunteers from all taxes on payments which they receive to defray their living costs and on income from sources outside the Central African Republic, from all customs duties or other charges on their personal property introduced into the Central African Republic

¹ Came into force on 24 November 1966 by the exchange of the said notes.

¹ Entré en vigueur le 24 novembre 1966 par l'échange desdites notes.

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 or other charges included in the price 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 the Central African Republic will exempt from all taxes, customs duties and other charges, all equipment and supplies introduced into or acquired in the Central African Republic by the Government of the United States, or any contractor financed by it, for use hereunder.

4. To enable the Government of the United States to discharge its responsibilities under this agreement, the Government of the Central African Republic will receive a representative of the Peace Corps and such staff of the representative and such personnel of the United States private organizations performing functions hereunder under contract with the Government of the United States as are acceptable to the Government of the Central African Republic. The Government of the Central African Republic will exempt such persons from all taxes on income derived from their Peace Corps work or sources outside the Central African Republic, and from all other taxes or other charges (including immigration fees) except license fees and taxes or other charges included in the prices of equipment, supplies and services. The Government of the Central African Republic will accord the Peace Corps Representative and his staff the same treatment with respect to the payment of customs duties or other charges on personal property introduced into the Central African Republic for their own use as is accorded personnel of comparable rank or grade of the Embassy of the United States. The Government of the Central African Republic will accord personnel of the United States private organizations under contract with the Government of the United States the same treatment with respect to the payment of customs duties or other charges on personal property introduced into the Central African Republic for their own use as is accorded Volunteers hereunder.

5. The Government of the Central African Republic will exempt from investment and deposit requirements and currency controls all funds introduced into the Central African Republic for use hereunder by the Government of the United States or contractors financed by it. Such funds shall be convertible into currency of the Central African Republic at the highest rate which is not unlawful in the Central African Republic.

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 the Central African Republic 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 assurances of my highest consideration.

Claude G. Ross

His Excellency Colonel Jean Bedel Bokassa
President of the Central African Republic
Bangui

[TRADUCTION — TRANSLATION]

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Bangui, le 9 Septembre 1966

Excellence,

[*Voir note II*]

Veuillez agréer, etc.

Claude G. Ross

Son Excellence le colonel Jean-Bédél Bokassa
Président de la République Centrafricaine
Bangui

II

LE PRÉSIDENT DE LA RÉPUBLIQUE

2953

Bangui, le 24 novembre 1966

Monsieur l'Ambassadeur,

J'ai l'honneur d'accuser réception de votre lettre en date du 9 Novembre 1966, relative aux Volontaires du Corps de la Paix, et ainsi libellée :

Bangui, le 9 septembre 1966

N° 46

Excellence,

J'ai l'honneur de me référer aux conversations qui ont eu lieu récemment entre les Représentants de nos deux Gouvernements et de proposer que soient conclus les arrangements suivants relatifs aux Américains et aux Américaines qui ont offert leurs services au Corps de la Paix et qui, à la demande de votre Gouvernement, vivront et travailleront pendant un certain temps dans le Territoire de la République Centrafricaine.

1. Le Gouvernement des États-Unis d'Amérique fournira des Volontaires du Corps de la Paix, sur la demande qu'en fera le Gouvernement de la République Centrafricaine et avec l'approbation du Gouvernement des États-Unis, pour effectuer

[TRANSLATION¹ — TRADUCTION²]

PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC

2953

Bangui, November 24, 1966

M. Ambassador :

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your note of November 9, 1966 concerning the Peace Corps Volunteers, which reads as follows :

[*See note I*]

I have the honor hereby to inform you that the proposals set forth above are entirely acceptable to me.

Accept, Mr. Ambassador, the assurance of my very high consideration.

[SEAL]

Colonel Jean-Bédél BOKASSA
President of the Republic

His Excellency Claude Ross
Ambassador of the United States of America
to the Central African Republic
Bangui

¹ Translation by the Government of the United States of America.

² Traduction du Gouvernement des États-Unis d'Amérique.