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

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The American Ambassador to the Guyanese Minister of State

Georgetown, May 31, 1967

No. 41

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 Guyana.

1. The Government of the United States will furnish such Peace Corps Volunteers as may be requested by the Government of Guyana and approved by the Government of the United States to perform mutually agreed tasks in Guyana. The Volunteers will work under the immediate supervision of governmental or private organizations in Guyana 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. The Government of Guyana will bear such share of the costs of the Peace Corps program incurred in Guyana as our two governments may agree should be contributed by it.

2. The Government of Guyana 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 Guyana; and fully inform, consult and co-operate with representatives of the Government of the United States with respect to all matters concerning them. The Government of Guyana will exempt the Volunteers from all taxes on payments which they receive to defray their living costs and on income from sources outside Guyana, from all customs duties or other charges on their personal property intro-

¹ Came into force on 7 June 1967 by the exchange of the said notes.

duced into Guyana 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 Guyana will exempt from all taxes, customs duties and other charges, all equipment and supplies introduced into or acquired in Guyana 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 Guyana will receive a representative of the Peace Corps and such 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 Guyana. The Government of Guyana will exempt such persons from all taxes on income derived from their Peace Corps work or sources outside Guyana, 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 Guyana 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 Guyana for their own use as is accorded personnel of comparable rank or grade of the Embassy of the United States. The Government of Guyana 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 Guyana for their own use as is accorded Volunteers hereunder.

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

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 Guyana as appear necessary or desirable for the purpose of implementing this agreement. The undertaking 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 govern-

ments 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.

Delmar R. CARLSON

His Excellency S. S. Ramphal
Minister of State
Georgetown

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The Guyanese Minister of State to the American Ambassador

MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
GEORGETOWN, GUYANA

June 7, 1967

Excellency:

I have the honour to refer to the Note of May 31, 1967 (No. 41), received from Your Excellency on the subject of Peace Corps Volunteers serving in Guyana and to communicate the concurrence of the Government of Guyana in the understandings proposed in Your Excellency's Note. The Government of Guyana acknowledges the value of the work of members of the Peace Corps in Guyana to the development of the country and specifically undertakes to fulfil the obligations that fall to the Government of Guyana under the proposals contained in the Note received from Your Excellency.

The Government of Guyana also concurs in the proposal contained in Your Excellency's Note that the understandings set out therein, together with this Note, shall constitute an agreement between our two Governments which shall enter into force on the date of this Note and shall remain in force until ninety days after the day of the written notification of either Government to the other of intention to terminate it.

Accept, Excellency, the renewed assurance of my highest consideration.

S. S. RAMPHAL

His Excellency Delmar R. Carlson
Ambassador for the United States of America