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GEODETIC SURVEY AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF MALI

1. (a) The purpose of this agreement is to provide for the coordination of effort between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of Mali, to complete a geodetic arc across the territory of Mali for the purpose of establishing a geodetic tie between the 30th meridian arc, already established through Sudan, and existing geodetic arcs of the west coast of Africa.

(b) This collaboration of our two governments will be part of the international geodetic survey from the 30th meridian to Dakar which was proposed in August 1960 in the meetings of the International Association of Geodesy during the XIIth General Assembly of the International Union of Geodesy and Geophysics, at Helsinki, Finland. The survey was endorsed at the United Nations Regional Cartographic Conference for Africa at Nairobi, Kenya in July 1963 with the recommendation that the link from the 30th meridian into West Africa be completed at an early date.

(c) The survey will establish permanent reference marks fixed in the ground at intervals of approximately 30 kilometers along the portion of the arc in Mali. These marks can serve most usefully as basic points of reference in future mapping, cadastral and development planning programs undertaken by the Government of the Republic of Mali.

Moreover, the establishment of these reference marks in completion of the 12th parallel arc across Africa will constitute an important contribution to international scientific knowledge of the size and shape of the earth.

2. There shall be established between the two governments an exchange of geodetic data concerning the country of Mali which can be used for cartographic activities of the two governments. This agreement may be expanded to include training of personnel and exchange of cartographic materials, or

¹ Came into force on 17 January 1968 by signature.

the development of cooperative mapping, charting and geodesy programs as agreed to by the two governments.

3. Each government shall designate an appropriate agency(s) as the responsible party(s) for carrying out the technical details of this agreement. Representatives of the designated agencies shall reach agreement concerning their respective responsibilities which shall be set forth in a memorandum of understanding.

4. Although the Government of the United States is willing to assume full financial responsibility for its part of the program, it is understood that all plans for the accomplishment of the joint geodetic program proposed within this agreement are subject to the availability of personnel, materials and funds.

5. United States Government-owned property imported into Mali for the purpose of this agreement, including vehicles, shall be exempt from all customs, import and export duties and all taxes, license fees and charges of any nature, and shall be re-exported upon completion of the project. The use by the Government of the United States of airfields, highways, bridges, ferries, piers and other facilities within Mali shall be without cost and shall be facilitated by the Government of the Republic of Mali.

6. The Government of the Republic of Mali agrees that U.S. members of the survey team and its U.S. personnel, including personnel temporarily assigned, who may be present in Mali pursuant to this agreement, shall be administratively assigned to the USAID mission in Mali for the duration of this agreement and that they shall receive the privileges and immunities accorded to the administrative and technical staff of that mission. However, these arrangements are not applicable to personnel living in Mali who might be recruited for the purpose of this project.

7. The security of the personnel assigned to carry out this geodetic program shall be ensured by elements of the Ministry of Defense of Mali.

8. The Government of the Republic of Mali shall arrange with adjoining countries to make necessary ties with the geodetic arc in these adjoining countries. The Government of the United States of America will assist in making these arrangements if desired.

9. The Government of the United States will adjust the data obtained as a result of this survey to local or other data, and will provide to the Government of the Republic of Mali the adjusted results of that portion of the arc falling within its territorial limits.

10. If, during the life of this agreement, either of the Governments desires to amend the agreement, the other government will be so notified in writing and the two governments will consult in order to arrive at an understanding.

11. The provisions of this agreement shall remain in force until six months after one of the two governments shall have notified the other in writing of its intention to terminate the agreement, or until delivery of the documents mentioned in Article 9, whichever is earlier.

DONE at Bamako in duplicate, in the English and French languages, this 17th day of January 1968.

For the Government of the United States of America:

C. Robert MOORE

For the Government of the Republic of Mali:

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