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[TRANSLATION — TRADUCTION]

DEFENCE AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE FRENCH RE-PUBLIC AND THE TOGOLESE REPUBLIC

The President of the French Republic, on the one hand,

And the President of the Togolese Republic, on the other hand,

Recognizing their responsibilities with regard to the maintenance of peace in accordance with the principles of the Charter of the United Nations;

Desiring to give material expression to the ties of friendship and sincere co-operation uniting them;

Considering that it is the wish of the Contracting Parties to that end to co-operate in the field of defence;

Desiring to determine the modalities for such co-operation, whereby commitments shall be made essentially for purposes of defence, have decided to conclude this Agreement;

They have appointed as their plenipotentiaries for this purpose:

The President of the French Republic: Mr. Michel Habib-Deloncle, Minister for Foreign Affairs;

The President of the Togolese Republic: Mr. Apedo-Amah, Minister for Foreign Affairs,

Who, having exchanged their full powers, found in good and due form, have agreed as follows:

Article 1

The French Republic and the Togolese Republic shall extend to each other aid and assistance for the purpose of preparing and ensuring their defence.

Article 2

The Togolese Republic, which shall be responsible for its internal and external defence, may request aid from the French Republic in accordance with the terms laid down in special agreements.

Article 3

The French Republic shall, in accordance with the terms laid down in the Co-operation Agreements of 26 and 30 October 1961, provide the Togolese Republic with the aid needed to constitute its armed forces.

¹ Came into force on 8 February 1964 by the exchange of the instruments of ratification, which took place at Lomé, in accordance with article 6.

Article 4

The Contracting Parties shall co-operate in matters relating to defence; they shall promote effective, regular collaboration at the necessary levels.

Defence questions shall be considered in consultations between the Togolese authorities responsible for defence and the French military authority designated for that purpose.

Article 5

The Togolese Republic undertakes to provide French Forces acting at the request of the Togolese Republic under article 2 of this Agreement with all facilities and assistance required for its defence.

These facilities shall include, in particular:

The possibility of stationing troops, and unimpeded movement on Togolese territory;

Unimpeded movement through Togolese air space and territorial waters;

The use of coastal, railway, road and air installations and postal and tele-communications networks;

The establishment and use on the territory and in the territorial waters of air and sea beacons and communications equipment required to ensure the security of the armed forces and the accomplishment of their missions.

Article 6

This Agreement shall enter into force on the date of the exchange of the instruments of ratification, which shall take place at Lomé.

In witness whereof the plenipotentiaries have signed this Agreement.

Done in duplicate at Paris on 10 July 1963.

For the French Republic:

For the Togolese Republic:

Michel Habib-Deloncle

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