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[TRANSLATION — TRADUCTION]

DIPLOMATIC CONVENTION¹ BETWEEN THE FRENCH
REPUBLIC 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,

Desiring to lay down the principles on the basis of which the two States propose to give expression, in circumstances of complete equality and of respect for each other's independence, to the durable ties of friendship which unite their two peoples;

Recognizing that their foreign policies are prompted by the ideals and principles of freedom, democracy and humanism embodied in the Charter of the United Nations;

Wishing to determine and specify the procedures for their co-operation and thereby to strengthen their solidarity,

Have decided to conclude this Convention.

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

Each High Contracting Party shall accredit an Ambassador to the other High Contracting Party.

The Ambassador of the French Republic at Lomé shall be the doyen of the diplomatic corps. The Ambassador of the Togolese Republic shall enjoy a privileged position among accredited diplomatic envoys in Paris.

Article 2

The two States decide, with due respect for their mutual independence, to hold regular exchanges of views on foreign policy matters.

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 7.

Article 3

The French Republic, when so requested by the Togolese Republic, shall provide representation for the latter to States and organizations where it does not have representation of its own.

In such cases, French diplomatic and consular agents and French representatives shall act in accordance with the guidance and instructions of the Government of the Togolese Republic, which shall be conveyed to them through the Government of the French Republic.

In exceptional circumstances, however, communications which clearly require urgent administrative attention may be exchanged directly between the Togolese Government and French diplomatic and consular agents.

Article 4

No provision of this Convention shall be construed as in any way limiting the right of either Contracting State to negotiate and conclude treaties, conventions or other international instruments.

Article 5

Consulates may, by agreement, be established by either State in the territory of the other State.

Article 6

The High Contracting Parties agree that any dispute regarding the application or interpretation of this Convention which they are unable to resolve by direct negotiations shall be settled in accordance with procedures prescribed by international law.

Article 7

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

It shall remain in force until the expiry of one year from the date on which either Contracting Party shall have expressed the desire to terminate it.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the plenipotentiaries have signed this Convention.

DONE in duplicate at Paris on 10 July 1963.

For the French Republic :

Michel HABIB-DELONCLE

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For the Togolese Republic :

APEDO-AMAH

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