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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA and PHILIPPINES

Exchange of notes constituting an agreement relating to the relinquishment of certain land at Camp Wallace (with map). Manila, 20 and 30 May 1974

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Échange de notes constituant un accord relatif à la rétrocession d'une partie du terrain de Camp Wallace (avec carte). Manille, 20 et 30 mai 1974

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EXCHANGE OF NOTES CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT¹ BE-TWEEN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE PHILIPPINES RELATING TO THE RELINOUISHMENT OF CERTAIN LAND AT CAMP WALLACE

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The Embassy of the United States of America presents its compliments to the Department of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of the Philippines and has the honor to refer to the Embassy's note No. 453 of June 22, 1973.* In its note the Embassy stated that the United States Government was prepared to accede to the request of the Government of the Republic of the Philippines that an area thought to be 9,600 square meters of Camp Wallace, an annex A^2 base under the 1947 US-RP Military Bases Agreement³ on which the VOA Radio Transmitting Station is located, be relinquished in order to permit the improvement of security arrangements for presidential visits to Poro Naval Station. In this connection, the Embassy proposed that following a survey of the area by the Chief of Engineers, Armed Forces of the Philippines, the two Governments would enter into an exchange of notes in order to record this relinquishment formally.

As the Department is aware, the Chief of Engineers, Armed Forces of the Philippines, has conducted a survey of the area in question which has established that the exact amount of land involved is 12,137 square meters. The Embassy understands that the Metes and Bounds Committee of the RP-US Mutual Defense Board has approved the survey and will amend the listing of Camp Wallace lands in its official brochure "RP-US Military Bases of the Philippines" subsequent to agreement by the two Governments on this relinquishment.

If the foregoing is acceptable to the Government of the Republic of the Philippines, the Embassy has the honor to propose that this note and the Department's reply indicating concurrence shall constitute an agreement between the two Governments on the relinquishment of the land described in the attached survey map⁴ from the Government of the United States to the Government of the Republic of the Philippines effective on the date of the Department's reply.

The Embassy avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Department the assurances of its highest consideration.

Embassy of the United States of America

Manila, May 20, 1974.

^{*} Not printed.

¹ Came into force on 30 May 1974, the date of the note in reply, in accordance with the provisions of the said notes

² Should read "annex B".

³ United Nations, Treaty Series, vol. 43, p. 271.

⁴ See insert in a pocket at the end of this volume.

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REPUBLIKA NG PILIPINAS KAGAWARAN NG SULIRANING PANLABAS MAYNILA¹

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The Department of Foreign Affairs presents its compliments to the Embassy of the United States of America and has the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the Embassy's note No. 304 dated 20 May 1974 concerning the relinquishment by the United States Government to the Philippine Government of 12,137 square meters in Camp Wallace so as to permit the improvement of security arrangements for presidential visits to Poro Naval Station.

The Department wishes to inform the Embassy that the Philippine Government appreciates and accepts the aforementioned relinquishment. Accordingly, the Embassy's note and this reply shall constitute an agreement between the two Governments on the matter.

The Department of Foreign Affairs avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Embassy of the United States of America the assurances of its highest consideration.

Manila, 30 May 1974.

¹ Republic of the Philippines, Department of Foreign Affairs, Manila.