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EXCHANGE OF LETTERS CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE FRENCH REPUBLIC AND THE MALAGASY REPUBLIC CONCERNING FOREIGN POLICY

I

Paris, 4 June 1973

Sir,

Inasmuch as the agreements on co-operation between the French Republic and the Malagasy Republic concluded on 27 June 1960² are considered abrogated as from 25 January 1973, the Government of the Malagasy Republic proposes for the approval of the Government of the French Republic the following provisions with respect to foreign policy:

1. Each of the Contracting Parties shall accredit an ambassador to the other Contracting Party.

2. The seats and consular districts of consular posts in the territory of each of the two States shall be specified by agreement between the two Governments at the end of a period of one year from 25 January 1973. Until that date, the Franco-Malagasy Consular Convention of 25 April 1963 shall continue to apply.

Upon the expiry of the said period, Franco-Malagasy consular relations shall be governed by the Vienna Convention on Consular Relations of 24 April 1963.³

3. The two States, having regard to the bonds of friendship which link them, agree to consult each other whenever necessary on matters of common interest and to exchange their views on current international problems.

I have the honour to request you to inform me whether the French Government approves these proposals, which would enter into force on the same date as the General Agreement.

Accept, Sir, etc.

[Signed]

DIDIER RATSIRAKA

Mr. Jean-François Deniau
Secretary of State to the Minister for Foreign Affairs of the French Republic

¹ Came into force on 19 March 1975, the date of entry into force of the General Agreement signed at Paris on 4 June 1973 (see p. 261 of this volume), in accordance with the provisions of the said letters.

² United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 820, pp. 241, 247, 273, 291, 299, 335, 343, 349, 357 and 363.

³ *Ibid.*, vol. 596, p. 261.

II

FRENCH REPUBLIC
THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS

Paris, 4 June 1973

Sir,

You have addressed to me a letter dated 4 June 1973 which reads as follows:

[See letter I]

I have the honour to inform you that the Government of the French Republic agrees to these proposals, which shall enter into force on the same date as the General Agreement.

Accept, Sir, etc.

JEAN-FRANÇOIS DENIAU

Mr. Didier Ratsiraka
Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Malagasy Republic
