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and
DOMINICA**

**Exchange of letters constituting an agreement concerning
privileges and immunities for emergency repairs per-
sonnel. Bridgetown and Roseau, 17 September 1979**

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et
DOMINIQUE**

**Échange de lettres constituant un accord relatif aux privi-
lèges et immunités du personnel effectuant des répara-
tions d'urgence. Bridgetown et Roseau, 17 septembre
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EXCHANGE OF LETTERS CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND DOMINICA CONCERNING PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES FOR EMERGENCY REPAIRS PERSONNEL

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EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
BRIDGETOWN, BARBADOS

September 17, 1979

Dear Mr. Prime Minister:

In order to have the clearest possible mutual understanding about the status of United States personnel who are being assigned temporarily to Dominica, my Government has asked that I confirm with your Government that the engineering personnel of the U.S. Department of Defense temporarily in Dominica for the purpose of emergency repairs shall be accorded the privileges and immunities normally extended to the administrative and technical staff of a diplomatic mission under the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations² and customary international law.

If the above understanding is acceptable to the Government of Dominica, this letter and your reply shall constitute an agreement between our two governments.

I take this occasion, Mr. Prime Minister, to reiterate assurances of my highest consideration and personal esteem.

Sincerely,

[Signed]
SALLY A. SHELTON
Ambassador

The Right Honorable J. Oliver Seraphine
Prime Minister of Dominica
Roseau, Dominica

¹ Came into force on 17 September 1979, by the exchange of the said letters.

² United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 500, p. 95.

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OFFICE OF THE PRIME MINISTER
Cabinet Secretariat

GOVERNMENT HEADQUARTERS
ROSEAU
COMMONWEALTH OF DOMINICA
WEST INDIES

September 17, 1979

Dear Miss Shelton:

Concerning your letter of September 1979 in regard to the status and disposition of the engineering personnel of the U.S. Dept. of Defense temporarily in Dominica for the purpose of emergency repairs, this is to indicate the concurrence of the Government of Dominica that said forces shall be accorded the privileges and immunities normally extended to the administrative and technical staff of a diplomatic mission under the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations and customary international law.

If the above understanding is acceptable to the Government of the United States, this letter and your reply shall constitute an agreement between our two Governments.

I take this occasion, Miss Shelton, to reiterate assurances of my highest and personal consideration.

Sincerely,

[Signed]

OLIVER J. SERAPHINE
Prime Minister of Dominica

Miss Sally A. Sheldon
Ambassador
Embassy of the United States of America
Barbados
