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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
and
UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN
AND NORTHERN IRELAND
(ON BEHALF OF TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS)

**Exchange of letters constituting an agreement relating to the
Peace Corps (with attached agreement). Washington,
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et
ROYAUME-UNI DE GRANDE-BRETAGNE
ET D'IRLANDE DU NORD
(AU NOM DES ÎLES TURQUES ET CAÏQUES)

**Échange de lettres constituant un accord relatif au Peace
Corps (avec accord annexé). Washington, 17 avril et
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EXCHANGE OF LETTERS CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT¹
BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE
UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN
IRELAND (ON BEHALF OF TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS)
RELATING TO THE PEACE CORPS

I

The Director of the Peace Corps to the British Ambassador

PEACE CORPS

Washington, D.C., April 17, 1980

Excellency:

I have the honor to present for your approval the proposed Peace Corps Country Agreement with the Government in the Turks and Caicos Islands detailing the conditions under which Peace Corps Volunteers may live and work in the Islands. Also enclosed for your information is a memorandum explaining several of the standard provisions contained in the Agreement.

I understand that you have agreed to forward these documents for all the necessary concurrences from the Governor and the Government in the Turks and Caicos Islands and to represent said Government in the negotiations.

Accept, Sir, the renewed assurance of my highest consideration.

With best regards,

[Signed]

RICHARD F. CELESTE

Enclosures

His Excellency Sir Nicolas Henderson
Embassy of Great Britain
Washington, D.C.

PEACE CORPS COUNTRY AGREEMENT WITH THE GOVERNMENT
IN THE TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS

Excellency:

I have the honor to refer to recent conversation between representatives of our two Governments concerning appropriate arrangements with respect to men and women of the United States of America who volunteer to serve in the Peace Corps and who, at the request of your Government, would live and work for

¹ Came into force on 5 December 1980 by the exchange of the said letters.

periods of time in the Turks and Caicos Islands. In these conversations your Government has indicated that it would welcome Peace Corps volunteers and volunteer leaders.

I have the honor to propose the following understandings with respect to the Peace Corps:

1. The Government of the United States will furnish such Peace Corps Volunteers as may be requested by the Government in the Turks and Caicos Islands and approved by the Government of the United States to perform mutually agreed tasks in the Turks and Caicos Islands. The volunteers will work under the immediate supervision of governmental or private organizations designated by our two Governments. The Government of the United States will provide training to enable the volunteers to perform these agreed tasks effectively.
2. The Government in the Turks and Caicos Islands will accord equitable treatment to Peace Corps Volunteers and volunteer leaders, both as to their persons and their property; afford them full aid and protection, including treatment no less favorable than that accorded generally to nationals of the United States residing in the Turks and Caicos Islands, and fully inform, consult and cooperate with the representatives of the Government of the United States of America with respect to all matters concerning the volunteers.
3. To enable the Government of the United States to discharge its responsibilities under this Agreement, the Government in the Turks and Caicos Islands will receive a Peace Corps Representative and staff, and such personnel of United States' private organizations performing functions under this Agreement under contract with the Government of the United States as are acceptable to the Government in the Turks and Caicos Islands.
4. The Government in the Turks and Caicos Islands will exempt from taxes, customs duties and other charges in respect to vehicles, plant, equipment and supplies introduced into or acquired in the Turks and Caicos Islands by the Government of the United States, or any contractor financed by it, and used in connection with Peace Corps programs.
5. The Government in the Turks and Caicos Islands will exempt Peace Corps Volunteers, volunteer leaders, the Peace Corps Representative and staff, and personnel of United States private organizations performing under this Agreement from immigration fees, from all taxes on income derived from their Peace Corps work or from sources outside the Turks and Caicos Islands, and from all other taxes, charges and fees, except those included in the prices of equipment, supplies and services. The Government in the Turks and Caicos Islands will also exempt volunteers and volunteer leaders from all customs duties or other charges on their personal and household effects (excluding a motor vehicle) introduced into the Turks and Caicos Islands for their own use at or about the time of their arrival and up to six months after their arrival; and will accord the Peace Corps Representative and his staff the same treatment with respect to the payment of customs duties, or other charges, on their personal and household effects introduced into the Turks and Caicos Islands for their own use at any time during their stay in the Turks and Caicos Islands as is accorded personnel of comparable rank and grade of the Consulate General of the United States. The Government in the Turks and Caicos Islands will accord personnel of United States private organizations under contract with the Government of the United States the same treatment with respect to the payment of customs duties or other charges on personal property introduced into the Turks and Caicos Islands for their own use as is accorded volunteers and volunteer leaders hereunder.
6. The Government in the Turks and Caicos Islands will exempt from investment and deposit requirements and currency controls and all taxes on the conversion of currency all funds introduced into the Turks and Caicos Islands for use hereunder by the Government of the United States or contractors financed by it. Such funds shall be convertible into currency of the Turks and Caicos Islands at the highest rate of exchange which is not unlawful in the Turks and Caicos Islands.

7. Appropriate representatives of the Government of the United States of America and the Government in the Turks and Caicos Islands may make from time to time such arrangements with respect to Peace Corps Volunteers and volunteer leaders and Peace Corps programs in the Turks and Caicos Islands as appear necessary or desirable for purposes of implementing this Agreement. The undertakings of each Government herein are subject to the availability of funds and to the applicable laws of that Government.

Finally, I have the honor to propose that, if these undertakings are acceptable to the Government in the Turks and Caicos Islands, this note and your Government's reply note concurring therein shall constitute an agreement between our two Governments which shall enter into force on the date of your Government's reply note and which shall remain in force until ninety days after the date of written notification from either Government to the other of an intent to terminate it.

Accept, your Excellency, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

II

The British Embassy to the Peace Corps

Her Britannic Majesty's Embassy present their compliments to the Peace Corps and have the honour to inform them that the Government in the Turks and Caicos Islands can accept the provisions of the Peace Corps Country Agreement enclosed with the Peace Corps Note of 17 April 1980. This Note and the Peace Corps Note of 17 April shall constitute an agreement between the Government in the Turks and Caicos Islands and the United States Government which shall enter into force today and which shall remain in force until ninety days after the date of written notification from either Government to the other of an intent to terminate it.

The Embassy avail themselves of this opportunity to renew to the Peace Corps the assurances of their highest consideration.

British Embassy

Washington, D.C., 5 December 1980