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EXCHANGE OF NOTES CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT¹
BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND SURINAME
RELATING TO THE INTERNATIONAL MILITARY
EDUCATION AND TRAINING (IMET) PROGRAM

I

EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

No. 77

The Embassy of the United States of America presents its compliments to the Ministry for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Suriname and has the honor to inform the Ministry of the willingness of the United States Government to provide certain technical and operational training to members of the Surinamese Army. The United States believes this training would be helpful to the Surinamese Government in enhancing the professional capabilities and effectiveness of the defense force.

The proposed training is offered under the International Military Education and Training (IMET) Program and is provided at no cost to the recipient country, within overall ceilings established by the United States Government. The intent of the IMET program is to assist friendly countries in operating, maintaining, and managing their defense forces; to foster the development by friendly countries of their own training capabilities; and to promote understanding between Surinamese military forces and the peoples of the United States and other participating countries.

Any training program would be developed with the full participation of the Government of Suriname and would be responsive to the specific needs of the Surinamese Army. The training—most of which would be conducted in the United States—can be accomplished in the following manners:

- A. Formal instruction at U.S. military service schools in the United States or in Panama, with the students attending regularly-scheduled courses along with military personnel from the United States and other foreign countries;
- B. On-the-job or observer training at U.S. military installations to permit special training not covered in scheduled courses of instruction and familiarization of foreign students with U.S. training methods and operating techniques;
- C. Instruction in the recipient country by U.S. military mobile training teams.

It has been the experience of the United States Government that countries newly developing their defense capabilities initially benefit from instruction that stresses technical training of personnel responsible for the operation and maintenance of the defense force equipment and management and leadership training for junior and middle-grade leaders. It is desirable that students chosen for training have potential as instructors and leaders and the expectation of careers in the defense forces.

¹ Came into force on 25 August 1980 by the exchange of the said notes.

It should be noted that IMET training when related to the use of defense articles is subject to certain requirements of U.S. law. The furnishing of IMET training is prohibited unless the recipient country has first agreed to observe certain conditions with respect to such training. These conditions are:

- A. That the recipient government will not, without the consent of the United States Government:
 - Permit any use of such training (including training materials) by anyone not an officer, employee, or agent of the recipient country;
 - Transfer or permit any officer, employee, or agent of the recipient country to transfer such training (including training materials) by gift, sale, or otherwise to anyone not an officer, employee, or agent of the recipient government; or
 - Use or permit the use of such training (including training materials) for purposes other than those for which furnished by the United States Government;
- B. That the recipient country will maintain the security of such training (including training materials) and will provide substantially the same degree of security protection afforded to such training and materials by the United States Government;
- C. That the recipient country will permit continuous observation and review by, and furnish necessary information to, representatives of the United States Government with regard to the use of such training (including training materials); and
- D. That the recipient country will return to the United States Government such training (including training materials) as is no longer needed for the purposes for which furnished, unless the United States Government consents to some other disposition.

The United States Government has allocated funds for Suriname during the current U.S. fiscal year, should the Government of Suriname choose to participate in the IMET program. If so, agreement by the Government of Suriname to the conditions described above would be required, inasmuch as training courses selected could involve defense articles.

Therefore, the Embassy of the United States of America has the honor to propose that this note, together with a note in reply by the Ministry for Foreign Affairs stating that such conditions are acceptable to the Government of Suriname, shall constitute the basis for the provision of IMET training by the United States. At that time, appropriate representatives of both governments could begin discussions of specific course selections.

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

Paramaribo, August 22, 1980

Embassy of the United States of America

II

No. 967I

The Ministry for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Suriname presents its compliments to the Embassy of the United States of America and, with reference to the latter's note dated 22 August 1980 No. 77, has the honour to inform the Embassy that the Government of the Republic of Suriname accepts the offer for technical and operational training of members of the Surinamese Army, provided for by the Government of the United States of America.

The Ministry further has the honour to inform the Embassy that the Government of Suriname accepts the conditions in said note and that this note in reply together with the Embassy's note No. 77 dated August 22, 1980, constitute the basis for the provision of IMET training by the United States.

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

Paramaribo, 25 August 1980

To the Embassy of the United States of America
Paramaribo
