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**NEW ZEALAND
and
SAMOA**

**Exchange of letters constituting an agreement concerning
the provision by New Zealand for a loan in respect of
the erection of Samoa House, Auckland. Wellington
and Apia, 1 June 1978**

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**NOUVELLE-ZÉLANDE
et
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**Échange de lettres constituant un accord relatif à l'octroi
par la Nouvelle-Zélande d'un prêt destiné à la construc-
tion de Samoa House à Auckland. Wellington et Apia,
1^{er} juin 1978**

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EXCHANGE OF LETTERS CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT¹
BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF NEW ZEALAND AND
THE GOVERNMENT OF WESTERN SAMOA CONCERNING
THE PROVISION BY NEW ZEALAND FOR A LOAN IN RE-
SPECT OF THE ERECTION OF SAMOA HOUSE, AUCKLAND

I

OFFICE OF MINISTER OF FINANCE
WELLINGTON, N. Z.

*The Right Honourable Robert Muldoon, Minister of Finance for New Zealand,
to the Honourable Vaovasamanaia Filipo, Minister of Finance for Western Samoa*

My dear Minister,

I have the honour to refer to discussions between representatives of our respective Governments concerning the granting of a loan by the Government of New Zealand to the Government of Western Samoa. I now propose on behalf of the Government of New Zealand that an Agreement be reached between our two Governments in the following terms:

1. The Government of New Zealand shall make available to the Government of Western Samoa a loan of \$1,250,000 (New Zealand currency) to be secured by means of a charge upon the public revenues of Western Samoa. This sum shall be applied by the Government of Western Samoa towards the construction of Samoa House at 283/291 Karangahape Road, Auckland. The term of the loan shall be 25 years commencing on the first day of June 1978, with a three year grace period in respect of repayment of the principal.

2. The first instalment of the loan, for an amount of \$500,000 shall be made available to the Government of Western Samoa on the first day of June 1978. The second and third instalments of \$500,000 and \$250,000 shall be made available on 1 September 1978 and 1 December 1978 respectively. All instalments shall be lodged to the credit of the Western Samoa Treasury Account Number 691717-00 at the Main Branch of the Bank of New Zealand in Wellington.

3. The Government of Western Samoa shall pay interest on the loan or on so much thereof as shall have been advanced and not repaid, at the rate of five percent per annum, such interest to commence from the date of lodgment of the first instalment. The rate of interest shall be reviewable triennially from 1 June 1978, but in no event shall such interest exceed ten percent per annum during the life of the loan.

4. Interest shall be payable annually in arrears on the 1st day of June in each year. The Government of New Zealand shall advise the Government of Western Samoa at least seven days before each interest payment date of the amount of interest owing and from 1 June 1981 of the amount of principal payable in respect of each year.

¹ Came into force on 1 June 1978, the date of the letter in reply, in accordance with the provisions of the said letters.

5. The principal of the loan shall be repayable by 21 equal consecutive annual instalments of \$55,000 and a final instalment of \$95,000. The first principal instalment shall be payable on 1 June 1981.

6. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions, the Government of Western Samoa shall be free at any time to repay to the Government of New Zealand in New Zealand currency the whole of the loan that is then outstanding, together with accrued interest thereon calculated up to the date of repayment.

7. As agreed between the two governments, the loan monies shall be used by the Government of Western Samoa solely for payments in respect of the construction of Samoa House at 283/291 Karangahape Road, Auckland.

8. All payments of principal and interest by the Government of Western Samoa shall be in New Zealand currency.

If the foregoing provisions are acceptable to the Government of Western Samoa I have the honour to suggest that the present letter and your reply to that effect shall constitute an Agreement between our two Governments, which shall enter into force on the date of your reply.

Yours sincerely,

ROBERT MULDOON
Minister of Finance

II

GOVERNMENT OF WESTERN SAMOA
OFFICE OF THE MINISTER OF FINANCE, CUSTOMS, NATIONAL PROVIDENT FUND,
INLAND REVENUE AND PUBLIC TRUST

Apia, Western Samoa, 1 June 1978

*The Honourable Vaovasamanaia Filipo, Minister of Finance for Western Samoa
to the Right Honourable Robert Muldoon, Minister of Finance for New Zealand*

My dear Minister,

Loan from the Government of New Zealand — NZ\$1,250,000

I have the honour to reply to your letter dated 1 June 1978 in connection with the above Government-to-Government Loan of NZ\$1,250,000 in which our two Governments should reach agreement on the following terms:

[See letter I]

I have the honour to confirm that the above provisions are acceptable to my Government, and this reply shall therefore constitute an Agreement between our two Governments which shall come into force as from today 1 June 1978.

Yours sincerely,

[Signed]

VAOVASAMANAIA FILIPO
Minister of Finance