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EXCHANGE OF LETTERS CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT' BE-TWEEN THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT AND THE GOVERN-MENT OF NEW ZEALAND CONCERNING THE EXCHANGE OF AGRICULTURAL TRAINEES

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MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS Director for French Nationals Abroad and Aliens in France

Paris, 10 August 1983

Sir,

During the meeting of the French-New Zealand Mixed Commission on Cultural Co-operation, held at Paris on 18 and 19 November 1982, the two Parties agreed to find an appropriate solution to the administrative problems resulting from the exchange of agricultural trainees between France and New Zealand.

The objective is the implementation of an annual programme involving the exchange of four agricultural trainees between France and New Zealand. The exchange programme for farm workers in New Zealand and France was designed to promote good relations and close understanding between the peoples of the two countries by giving participants the opportunity to work on farms and to learn more about farming methods in the host country as well as about its cultural and social life, while increasing their general knowledge of agriculture.

The trainees would participate in one of the two countries in an advanced vocational training course within the framework of a work experience, over a period not exceeding 12 months. The round-trip travel costs shall be borne by them.

In order to promote the acquisition of varied experience in agricultural matters in the territory of the host country, the same person may be authorized to participate in several training courses over the aforementioned period of one year.

Trainees in both countries shall be accorded employment and working conditions in conformity with the respective regulations in force in France and in New Zealand. In order to obtain the required visa, trainees must, before their departure, be in possession of the work contract or contracts signed by the future French employer or employers and certified by the competent authorities in France, the formal and written guarantee of the responsible New Zealand organization specifying the posts to be filled and the working conditions.

They shall enjoy in either country, during the entire period of employment, the full range of social protection granted by the legislation of the host country to aliens in a regular situation.

This programme shall be administered, in the case of France, by the Centre de Documentation et d'Information Rurales, and, in the case of New Zealand, by the Federated Farmers of New Zealand (Inc).

¹ Came into force on 10 August 1983, the date of the letter in reply, in accordance with the provisions of the said letters.

Each of these organizations shall direct the candidates to the competent government department responsible for issuing the necessary authorizations.

If the foregoing proposals are agreeable to you, this letter and your reply shall constitute an agreement between our two Governments, which shall enter into force on the date of your reply.

Accept, Sir, etc.

JEAN-PAUL ANGLES Director for French Nationals Abroad and Aliens in France

His Excellency Mr. J. G. McArthur Ambassador of New Zealand Paris

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NEW ZEALAND EMBASSY PARIS

Paris, 10 August 1983

Sir,

I acknowledge receipt of your letter of today's date, which reads as follows:

[See letter I]

I have the honour to inform you of my Government's agreement to the foregoing provisions.

Accept, Sir, etc.

[Signed] J. G. McArthur Ambassador

The Director for French Nationals Abroad and Aliens in France Ministry of Foreign Affairs Paris