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between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the United States of America

concerning the establishment of a Peace Corps in Sarawak

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EXCHANGE OF NOTES BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, CONCERNING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A PEACE CORPS IN SARAWAK

No. 1

The Ambassador of the United States of America in London to the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs

Embassy of the United States of America, October 25, 1962.

My Lord:

I have the honor to refer to recent conversations between Representatives of the Government of the United States of America and of the Government of Sarawak and to put to the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland the following proposals with respect to the men and women of the United States of America who volunteer to serve in the Peace Corps and who, at the request of the Government of Sarawak, would live and work for periods of time in Sarawak.

1. The Government of the United States of America will furnish such Peace Corps Volunteers as may be requested by the Government of Sarawak and approved by the Government of the United States to perform tasks agreed by both Governments. The Volunteers will work under the immediate supervision of governmental or private organizations in Sarawak designated by the Government of Sarawak and the Government of the United States. The Government of the United States will provide training to enable the Volunteers to perform more effectively these agreed tasks.

2. The Government of Sarawak will accord equitable treatment to the Volunteers 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 Sarawak; and fully inform, consult and cooperate with representatives of the Government of the United States with respect to all matters concerning them. The Government of Sarawak will exempt the Volunteers from all taxes on payments which they receive to defray their living costs and on income from sources outside Sarawak, from import duty on their personal property introduced into Sarawak for their own use at or about their time of arrival and up to three months after their arrival, and from all other taxes or other charges (including immigration fees) except licence fees and also except taxes and other charges included in the prices of equipment, supplies and services.

3. The Government of the United States will provide the Volunteers with such limited amounts of equipment and supplies as the Government of the United States and the Government of Sarawak may agree should be provided by it to enable the Volunteers to perform their tasks effectively. The Government of Sarawak will exempt from customs duties and charges all equipment and supplies introduced into Sarawak, and from any other taxes, all equipment and supplies introduced into or acquired in Sarawak, by the Peace Corps or by any contractor acting on behalf of the Peace Corps and financed by the United States Government, for use hereunder.

To enable the Government of the United States to discharge its 4. responsibilities under this agreement, the Government of Sarawak will receive a representative of the Peace Corps and such staff of the representative and such personnel of United States private organizations acting on behalf of the Peace Corps and performing functions hereunder financed by the Government of the United States as are acceptable to the Government of Sarawak. The Government of Sarawak will exempt such persons from all taxes on income derived from their Peace Corps work or sources outside Sarawak, and from all other taxes or other charges (including immigration fees) except licence fees and also except taxes and other charges included in the prices of equipment, supplies and services. The Government of Sarawak will accord the Peace Corps Representative and his staff and personnel of United States private organizations acting on behalf of the Peace Corps and financed by 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 Sarawak for their own use as is accorded Volunteers hereunder.

5. The Government of Sarawak will exempt from currency controls, in respect of repatriation, all funds introduced into Sarawak for use hereunder by the Government of the United States or contractors financed by it.

6. Appropriate representatives of the Government of Sarawak and the Government of the United States may make from time to time such arrangements with respect to the Peace Corps Volunteers and Peace Corps programs in Sarawak as appear necessary or desirable for the purpose 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.

I have the further honor to propose that, if these proposals are acceptable to the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, this note and Your Lordship's note in reply to that effect shall constitute an agreement between our two Governments which shall enter into force on the date of Your Lordship's reply and shall remain in force until ninety days after the date of written notification from either Government to the other of intention to terminate it.

Accept, etc.

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DAVID BRUCE.

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The Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs to the Ambassador of the United States of America in London

Foreign Office, S.W. 1,

Your Excellency,

Öctober 25, 1962.

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of Your Excellency's Note of today's date which reads as follows:

[As in No. 1]

I have the honour to inform you that the above proposals are acceptable to the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, who therefore agree that your Note, together with this reply, shall constitute an agreement between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the United States of America which shall enter into force on this date and shall remain in force until ninety days after the date of the written notification from either Government to the other of intention to terminate it.

I have, etc.

(For the Secretary of State) R. M. K. SLATER.

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