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No. 1

The Minister of Foreign Affairs of Thailand to Her Majesty's Ambassador at Bangkok

No. 0603/17699

Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Saranrom Palace.

Excellency,

28th May, B.E. 2514.

1. With reference to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs' Note No. 0603/6707 of 27 February B.E. 2513 (1970) giving notice of termination of the Treaty of Commerce and Navigation between Thailand and the United Kingdom signed at Bangkok on 23 November 1937,(¹) and to the recent discussions between the British Embassy and the Treaty and Legal Department regarding the desirability of maintaining the said Treaty in force pending the negotiation of a new Treaty, I have the honour to propose that, notwithstanding the said notice of termination and subject to the proviso set out in paragraph 2 of this Note, the Treaty shall be deemed to have remained in force between 27 February 1971, the date of its expiry, and today's date and that it shall continue in force until 27 February 1972 or until the conclusion of a new Treaty, whichever date is the earlier.

2. The proviso referred to in the preceding paragraph is that the provisions of Article 1 (2) of the Treaty (which shall remain fully in force in all other respects) shall, in so far as they relate to the future acquisition of immovable property, no longer be regarded as binding in relation to Thailand.

3. If the foregoing proposals are acceptable to the Government of the United Kingdom, I have the honour further to propose that this Note and Your Excellency's reply to that effect shall be regarded as constituting an agreement in this matter between the two Governments.

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

TH. KHOMAN Minister of Foreign Affairs

(1) Treaty Series No. 33 (1938), Cmd. 5731.

No. 2

Her Majesty's Ambassador at Bangkok to the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Thailand

British Embassy, Bangkok. 28 May 1971.

Your Excellency,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of Your Excellency's Note No. 0603/17699 of the 28th of May 1971 which reads as follows:

"1. With reference to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs' Note No. 0603/6707 of 27 February B.E. 2513 (1970) giving notice of termination of the Treaty of Commerce and Navigation between Thailand and the United Kingdom signed at Bangkok on 23 November 1937 and to the recent discussions between the British Embassy and the Treaty and Legal Department regarding the desirability of maintaining the said Treaty in force pending the negotiation of a new Treaty, I have the honour to propose that, notwithstanding the said notice of termination and subject to the proviso set out in paragraph 2 of this Note, the Treaty shall be deemed to have remained in force between 27 February 1971, the date of its expiry, and today's date and that it shall continue in force until 27 February 1972 or until the conclusion of a new Treaty, whichever date is the earlier.

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3. If the foregoing proposals are acceptable to the Government of the United Kingdom, I have the honour further to propose that this Note and Your Excellency's reply to that effect shall be regarded as constituting an agreement in this matter between the two Governments."

I have the honour to inform Your Excellency that the foregoing proposals are acceptable to the Government of the United Kingdom, who therefore agree that Your Excellency's Note and its reply shall constitute an agreement in this matter between the two Governments.

I avail myself of this opportunity to renew to Your Excellency the assurances of my highest consideration.

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