

March 19, 1971

AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES AND DENMARK FOR A DANISH GOVERNMENT LOAN TO THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES

Signed in Manila, March 19, 1971.

Note: The Agreement entered into force, March 19, 1971.

Reference: This Agreement is also published in X DFA TS No. 1, p. 1.

The Government of the Republic of the Philippines and the Government of Denmark, desiring to strengthen the traditional cooperation and cordial relations between their countries, have agreed that, as a contribution to the economic development of the Philippines, a Danish Government Loan will be extended to the Philippines in accordance with the following provisions of this Agreement and the attached Annexes, which are considered an integral part of the Agreement:

ARTICLE I

THE LOAN

The Government of Denmark (hereinafter called the Lender) will make available to the Government of the Philippines (hereinafter called the Borrower) a Loan in an amount of 30 million Danish Kroner for the purposes described in Article VI of this Agreement

ARTICLE II

LOAN ACCOUNT

Section I. An account designated "Government of the Philippines Loan Account" (hereinafter called "Loan Account") will, at the Borrower's request, be opened with Danmarks Nationalbank (acting as agent for the Lender) in favor of Central Bank of the Philippines (acting as agent for the Borrower). The Lender will ensure that sufficient funds are always available in the Loan Account to enable the Borrower to effect punctual payment for capital goods and services procured within the amount of the Loan.

Section 2. The Borrower (or Central Bank of the Philippines) shall be entitled, subject to the provisions of this Agreement, to withdraw from the Loan Account amounts needed for payment of capital goods or services procured under the Loan.

ARTICLE III

RATE OF INTEREST

The Loan will be free of interest.

ARTICLE IV

REPAYMENTS

Section 1. The Borrower will repay the Loan in thirty-five semi-annual installments of 830,000 Danish Kroner each, commencing on October 1, 1977 and ending on October 1, 1994, and one final installment of 950,000 Danish Kroner on April 1, 1995.

Section 2. If the Loan is not fully utilized in accordance with the provisions of Article VI, section 8, a revised schedule of repayment shall be established by mutual consent.

ARTICLE V

PLACE OF PAYMENT

The Loan shall be repaid by the Borrower in convertible Danish Kroner to Danmarks Nationalbank to the credit of the current account of the Ministry of Finance with Danmarks Nationalbank.

ARTICLE VI

USE OF THE LOAN

Section 1. The Borrower will use the Loan to finance imports from Denmark (including cost of transport from Denmark to the Philippines) of such Danish capital goods as are to be used for identifiable projects and are needed for the economic development of the Philippines. An indicative list of such goods is contained in Annex II.

Section 2. The Loan may also be used to pay for Danish services required for the implementation of development projects in the Philippines including, in particular, pre-investment studies, preparation of projects, provision of consultants during the implementation of projects, assembly or construction of plants or buildings and technical and administrative assistance during the initial period of undertakings established by means of the Loan.

Section 3. All contract to be financed under the Loan shall be subject to approval by the Borrower and the Lender.

Section 4. The approval by the Lender of a contract for financing under the Loan shall not imply any responsibility for the proper performance of such contracts.

The Lender also disclaims responsibility for the efficient use of supplies and services financed under the Loan and for the proper operation of the projects, etc., to which such supplies have been made and such services have been rendered.

Section 5. A contract under the Loan shall contain no clauses involving any special credit facilities from the Danish party to the contract.

Section 6. The proceeds of the Loan may be used only for payment of capital goods and services contracted for after the entry into force of the Agreement, unless otherwise agreed by the Borrower and the Lender.

Section 7. The proceeds of the Loan shall not be used for payment to the Borrower of any import duty, tax, national or other public charge such as import surcharges, duties to compensate for domestic excise taxes, charges or deposits in connection with the issuance of payments licenses or import licenses.

Section 8. The Borrower may draw against the Loan Account in fulfillment of contracts approved by the Parties for up to three years after the entry into force of the Agreement or from such other date as may be mutually agreed by the Borrower and the Lender.

ARTICLE VII

NON-DISCRIMINATION

Section 1. In regard to the repayment of the Loan, the Borrower undertakes to give the Lender no less favorable treatment than that accorded to other foreign creditors.

Section 2. All shipments of capital goods covered by this Agreement shall be in keeping with the principle of free circulation of ships in international trade in free and fair competition.

ARTICLE VIII

MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

Section 1. Prior to the first drawing against the Account referred to in Article II the Borrower will satisfy the Lender that all constitutional and other requirements laid down by statute in the Borrower's home country have been met, so that this loan Agreement will constitute an obligation binding on the Borrower.

Section 2. The Borrower will inform the Lender of Persons who are authorized to take any action on behalf of the Borrower, and supply authenticated specimen signatures of all such persons.

Section 3. Any notices, requests or agreements under this Agreement shall be in writing.

ARTICLE IX

PARTICULAR COVENANTS

The Loan shall be repaid without deduction for, and free from, any taxes and charges, and free from all restrictions imposed under the laws of the Borrower. This Agreement shall be free from any present and future taxes imposed under existing or future laws of the Borrower in connection with the issue, execution, registration, entry into force of the Agreement, or otherwise.

ARTICLE X

DURATION OF THE AGREEMENT

Section 1. The Agreement shall come into force on the date of signature.

Section 2. When the Loan has been repaid, the Agreement shall terminate forthwith.

ARTICLE XI

SPECIFICATION OF ADDRESSES

The following addresses are specified for the purposes of this Agreement: For the Borrower:

Central Bank of the Philippines Manila

Development Bank of the Philippines Makati, Rizal

Department of Foreign Affairs Manila

Cablegrams:

PHILCENBANK

PHILDEBANK

DEFORAF

For the Lender with respect to disbursements:

Ministry of Foreign Affairs,
Danish International Development Agency,
Copenhagen.

Cablegrams:

ETRANGERES COPENHAGEN.

For the Lender with respect to servicing of the Loan:

Ministry of Finance
Copenhagen.

Cablegrams:

FINANS COPENHAGEN.

In witness whereof the Parties hereto, acting through their representatives duly authorized for this purpose, have caused this Agreement to be signed in two copies in the English language in Manila on this 19th day of March 1971.

For the Government of
the Philippines:

**(Sgd.) CARLOS P.
ROMULO**

For the Government of
Denmark:

(Sgd.) ILLEGIBLE

ANNEX I

The following provisions shall govern the rights and obligations under the Agreement between the Government of Denmark and the Government of the Philippines on a Danish Government Loan to the Philippines (hereinafter called the Agreement), of which they are considered an integral part with the same force and effect as if they were fully set forth therein.

ARTICLE I

CANCELLATION AND SUSPENSION

Section 1. The Borrower may, by notice to the Lender, cancel any amount of the Loan which the Borrower shall not have withdrawn.

Section 2. In the event of default by the Borrower in the fulfillment of any commitment or arrangement under the Agreement, the Lender may suspend, in whole or in part the right of the Borrower to make withdrawals from the Loan Account.

If the default which entitled the Lender to suspend the Borrower's right to draw against the Loan Account persists beyond a period of sixty days after the Lender's notice to the Borrower of the suspension, the Lender may at any time claim immediate repayment of all withdrawals made from the Loan Account, notwithstanding anything in the Agreement to the contrary, unless the basis on which the suspension was made has ceased to exist.