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The Acting Secretary of State to the Argentine Chargé d'Affaires ad interim

DEPARTMENT OF STATE
WASHINGTON

March 4, 1960

Sir :

I refer to conversations between representatives of our two Governments concerning the loan of vessels by the Government of the United States of America to the Government of the Republic of Argentina and to confirm the following understandings reached between our Governments on this subject.

1. The Government of the United States of America will lend to the Government of Argentina for the period set out below, the vessels identified in the annex² to this note.

2. The Government of Argentina requires and shall use the vessels and their equipment, spares, and allowances solely to maintain the legitimate self-defense of Argentina or to participate in the defense of the Western Hemisphere. The Government of Argentina will retain possession of, and will use, the vessels and their equipment, spares, and allowances subject to the terms and conditions contained in this note and to further the policies and purposes of the Mutual Security Act of 1954, as it is, or may hereafter from time to time be, amended (as to which the Government of Argentina has been informed), and, in particular, in support of the obligations resting upon it and other nations bound by the Inter-American Treaty of Reciprocal Assistance opened for signature September 2, 1947.³ The Government of Argentina will accord designated representatives of the Government of the United States of America facilities to observe and review the utilization of the vessels and will provide them with such information with respect to use and operation of the vessels as they may require for this purpose.

3. The period of the loan for each vessel shall be five years from the date of its delivery to the Government of Argentina. The Government of the United States of America may, however, request the return of the vessels at an earlier date if such action is necessitated by its own defense requirements. In this event, the Government of Argentina will promptly return the vessels to the Government of the United States of America.

¹ Came into force on 1 April 1960 by the exchange of the said notes.

² See p. 248 of this volume.

³ United Nations, *Treaty Series*, Vol. 21, p. 77 ; Vol. 26, p. 417 ; Vol. 82, p. 330, and Vol. 209, p. 330.