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*The American Ambassador to the Dominican Secretary of State for Foreign Relations*

No. 115

Santo Domingo, August 2, 1962

Excellency :

I have the honor to refer to the Cooperative Program between the Government of the Dominican Republic and the Government of the United States of America for the establishment and operation of a rawinsonde observation station in Sabana de la Mar, which is now being moved to the Central Meteorological Observatory at Santo Domingo. The program was established under the terms of an agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Dominican Republic effected by an exchange of notes of July 25 and August 11, 1956.<sup>2</sup> The agreement entered into force on November 16, 1956 and remained in force through June 30, 1959.

The purpose of this program is to provide essential meteorological information for the preparation of hurricane warnings and for research into the origin, development, structure, and movement of hurricanes. The ultimate object is to achieve greater accuracy and timeliness in forecasts of hurricanes and in warnings of accompanying winds, tides, and floods.

I now have the honor to propose, in view of the mutual benefits which it is anticipated would result, that the Cooperative Meteorological Program be continued for an additional period of three years, in accordance with the following principles :

1. *Cooperating Agencies.* The cooperating agencies shall be (1) for the Government of the Dominican Republic, the National Meteorological Service, an agency of the Ministry of Public Works and Communications, hereinafter referred to as the Dominican Republic Cooperating Agency, and (2) for the Government of the United States of America, the Weather Bureau, Department of Commerce, hereinafter referred to as the United States Cooperating Agency. The technical details necessary for carrying out

<sup>1</sup> Came into force on 25 October 1962 by the exchange of the said notes, with retroactive effect as of 1 July 1962, in accordance with the terms of the said notes.

<sup>2</sup> United Nations, *Treaty Series*, Vol. 263, p. 181.

the program shall be embodied in a Memorandum of Arrangement between the Co-operating Agencies. The Memorandum of Arrangement may be amended at any time by the concurrence of the Cooperating Agencies.

2. *General Purpose.* The general purposes of the present agreement shall be as follows :

- (a) To provide for the operation of an aerological observing station at Santo Domingo in order to secure reports of combined radiowind and radiosonde observations daily at the standard times of 0000 and 1200 GMT and occasionally at other times, upon the request of the United States Co-operating Agency, when additional observations are needed for hurricane forecasting and research.
- (b) To provide for the daily exchange of reports of combined radiowind and radiosonde observations between the Co-operating Agencies for the use of the respective country, in addition to other exchanges previously established.

3. *Title to Property.* Title to all buildings and real estate associated with this project shall be vested in the Dominican Cooperating Agency, and title to all equipment furnished by the United States Cooperating Agency or purchases with funds supplied by the United States Cooperating Agency shall remain vested in that Agency.

4. *Expenditures.* All expenditures incident to the obligations assumed by the United States Cooperating Agency shall be paid directly by the Government of the United States of America, and all expenditures incident to the obligations assumed by the Dominican Republic Cooperating Agency shall be paid directly by the Government of the Dominican Republic.

5. *Conduct of Work.* Employees furnished by the United States Cooperating Agency shall be considered as being in the sole employment of the United States Co-operating Agency. The Dominican Republic Cooperating Agency and its officers and agents shall be held harmless from any liability whatsoever resulting from the use of the station equipment including vehicles by the United States agents or employees. Employees furnished by the Dominican Republic Cooperating Agency shall be considered as being in the sole employment of the Dominican Republic Cooperating Agency. The United States Cooperating Agency and its officers and agents shall be held harmless from any liability whatsoever resulting from the use of the station equipment including vehicles by the agents or employees of the Dominican Republic Cooperating Agency.

6. *Exemption from Duties and Taxes.* All equipment and supplies imported into the Dominican Republic by the United States Cooperating Agency for use in the co-operative program shall be admitted free of customs and import duties. Employees of the Government of the United States, whose services may be provided by the United States Cooperating Agency for the purpose of the present agreement, shall be exempt from all Dominican Republic taxes and social security taxes. Such employees shall also be exempt from the payment of customs and import duties on one automobile or its replacement, household goods and personal effects, equipment and supplies imported into the Dominican Republic for their own use or that of the members of their immediate families.

7. *Term.* The Agreement shall remain in force through June 30, 1965 and may be continued in force for additional periods by written agreement to that effect by the two Governments, but either Government may terminate the present agreement by giving to