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The American Embassy to the Ministry of External Affairs of India

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The Embassy of the United States of America presents its compliments to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and has the honor to refer to recent discussions between the scientific authorities of the United States and Indian Governments concerning a series of jointly-conducted flights of high altitude research balloons over southern India to be undertaken during the period December, 1960 to April, 1961, to study equatorial air currents.

The Embassy has the further honor to inform the Ministry that the United States Government now proposes that the program of equatorial balloon flights be undertaken and be conducted on the basis of the following understandings :

(1) That the program of equatorial balloon flights be jointly conducted by the cooperating agencies or their contractors as the two governments may designate in accordance with arrangements mutually agreed upon by the cooperating agencies.

(2) That the Government of India will provide without charge balloon launching and hangar facilities for this project at Begumpet airport, Hyderabad.

(3) That all research balloon flights will be conducted in accordance with applicable air traffic control regulations of the Government of India.

(4) That all scientific information collected during the research activities will be shared between the two Governments.

(5) That the Government of India will take steps to facilitate the admission into India of U.S. personnel participating in the research program, as well as the entry into, and removal from, the territory of India, without payment of taxes, customs duties, or other charges, of all items of property provided by the United States or its contractor for use in connection with the research program. Such property will be subject to customs inspection except for a limited number of clearly marked boxes containing filter material,

¹ Came into force on 7 February 1961 by the exchange of the said notes.