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**PHILIPPINES
and
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**

Exchange of notes constituting an agreement concerning the exchange of certain portions of the United States Naval Reservation at Subic Bay with certain portions of the Bataan National Park (with attached map). Manila, 21 September and 16 October 1967

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ÉTATS-UNIS D'AMÉRIQUE**

Échange de notes constituant un accord relatif à l'échange de certaines parties de la Base navale des États-Unis à Subic Bay contre certaines parties du Parc national de Bataan (avec carte jointe). Manille, 21 septembre et 16 octobre 1967

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No. 9013. EXCHANGE OF NOTES CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA CONCERNING THE EXCHANGE OF CERTAIN PORTIONS OF THE UNITED STATES NAVAL RESERVATION AT SUBIC BAY WITH CERTAIN PORTIONS OF THE BATAAN NATIONAL PARK. MANILA, 21 SEPTEMBER AND 16 OCTOBER 1967

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The American Ambassador to the Philippine Secretary for Foreign Affairs

No. 252

Manila, September 21, 1967

Excellency:

I have the honor to refer to recent discussions between the Department of Foreign Affairs and the Embassy about an exchange of land at the United States Naval Reservation at Subic Bay. The subject has also been discussed with authorities of Olongapo City and the Mutual Defense Board. The purpose of the exchange is to alleviate problems of security and to protect the watershed and the timber resources on the Reservation and the adjacent portion of the Bataan National Park and at the same time to straighten the perimeter of the Reservation.

I now have the honor to propose that the United States Government relinquish to the Philippine Government its right to use those parcels of land designated as areas X, Y, and B on the attached map² and containing a total of approximately 630 hectares. I have the further honor to propose that the Government of the Philippines make available to the Government of the United States as an integral part of Subic Bay Naval Reservation that parcel of land, designated as area Z on the attached map and containing approximately 615 hectares. A more detailed description of the four parcels of land is also enclosed. In further consideration for this exchange, the Philippine Government, in order to protect the security and watershed on the Reservation and the watershed for the Boton and Binutican Rivers and the timber resources on the adjacent portion of Bataan National Park, undertakes to (a) prohibit the settlement or occupancy for any purpose including logging or farming, of any portion of the parcel of land designated as area A on the attached map, and (b) effect the removal of all unauthorised occupants within the new Reservation boundaries established by this exchange.

¹ Came into force on 16 October 1967 by the exchange of the said notes.

² See insert between pp. 119 and 121 of this volume.