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The American Ambassador to the Panamanian Minister of Foreign Affairs

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Excellency:

I have the honor to refer to the civil aviation agreement between the United States of America and the Republic of Panama signed at Panama City on March 21, 1949.² Article XIV of this Agreement states that, "The Government of the United States of America will supply, subject to the availability of suitable personnel and appropriated funds for the purpose, a civil aviation mission to aid the Government of the Republic of Panama in the development of its civil aviation, including technical assistance, if such a mission is requested by the Government of Panama."

Upon notification to my Government of the ratification by the Government of the Republic of Panama of the general aviation agreement, the Government of the United States of America will endeavor, if requested by the Government of the Republic of Panama, to furnish a technical aviation mission under the following conditions:

(1) The assignment of the United States civil aviation mission to Panama shall be subject to the availability of suitable personnel and appropriated funds for the purpose.

(2) The mission shall function in an advisory capacity to appropriate Ministers of the Government of the Republic of Panama and will work with personnel of the Republic of Panama concerned with civil aviation on a cooperative basis for the purpose of assisting in improving and developing civil aviation facilities and services in Panama.

¹ Came into force on 14 April 1949, by the exchange and according to the terms of the said notes, the notice of ratification of the Aviation Agreement of 31 March 1949 by the Government of the Republic of Panama having been given on that date to the Government of the United States of America.

² See page 87 of this volume.

(3) The Government of the United States of America shall designate, subject to the approval of the Government of the Republic of Panama, a Chief of Mission, who shall represent the mission before the Government of the Republic of Panama through the Minister in whose ministry responsibility for aviation is vested. Other members of the mission shall be designated in like manner and, in addition to the chief of mission, shall serve as advisors and consultants to the Government of the Republic of Panama in specific fields of civil aviation. They shall conduct studies and analyses and furnish technical advice with respect to specific matters or problems now or hereafter arising which are within their competence. They shall demonstrate processes and methods of the United States of America and assist in the technical training of local personnel of the Republic of Panama. Members of the mission shall be responsible to the Chief of Mission and shall engage directly in the performance of technical duties for the Government of the Republic of Panama only to the extent agreed upon by the Chief of Mission and the appropriate Minister of the Government of the Republic of Panama.

(4) The civil aviation mission shall be composed of personnel in such technical categories as are agreed upon by the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of Panama. The duration of their assignments, their replacement by personnel in other technical categories, or an increase or decrease in the total number of personnel assigned, shall be based on the needs of the Government of the Republic of Panama for assistance in particular technical fields and shall take into consideration the competence of Panama to furnish and maintain aeronautical services and facilities in accordance with accepted international standards.

(5) The Government of the United States of America retains the right to recall any member of the mission at any time upon 30 days notification to the Government of the Republic of Panama or at any time upon mutual consent.

(6) Members of the mission shall receive their salary, allowances, and travel expenses to and from the Republic of Panama incidental to their assignments with the mission in Panama from the Government of the United States of America, subject to reimbursement by the Government of the Republic of Panama as specified below.

(7) The Government of the Republic of Panama shall reimburse the Government of the United States of America, at the rate of \$2,000.00 per year for the chief and each member of the mission toward expenses incurred by the Government of the United States in connection with the assignment of these personnel. Such reimbursement shall initially be made six months after each assignment and at intervals of six months thereafter. However, for accounting and procedural reasons, it will not be necessary for the Government of the Republic of Panama to make any payment to the Government of the United States of America until such time as the Govern-