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The Acting Secretary of State to the Italian Ambassador

DEPARTMENT OF STATE
WASHINGTON

April 27, 1954

Excellency :

I have the honor to refer to recent conversations between representatives of our two Governments concerning a loan by the Government of the United States to the Government of Italy of two submarines, the *Barb* (SS-220) and the *Dace* (SS-247).

I also confirm the understandings reached as a result of those conversations as follows :

1. The Government of Italy will retain possession of and will use these submarines primarily to provide training for Italian units in antisubmarine warfare and in accordance with the conditions contained in the Mutual Defense Assistance Agreement between our two Governments signed on January 27, 1950,² and amended on January 7, 1952.³

2. This loan shall remain in effect for a period of not more than five years from the date of delivery of the submarines. The Government of the United States may, however, request the return of the submarines at an earlier date if such action is necessitated by its own defense requirements in which event the Government of Italy will promptly re-deliver the submarines in accordance with paragraph 6 below.

3. Each submarine, together with its available on-board spares and allowances, including consumable stores and fuel, will be delivered to the Government of Italy at such a place and time as may be mutually agreed upon, each delivery to be evidenced by a delivery certificate. The Government of Italy shall have the use of all outfittings, equipment, appliances, fuel, consumable stores and spares and replacement parts on board the submarines at the time of their delivery.

¹ Came into force on 27 April 1954 by the exchange of the said notes.

² United Nations, *Treaty Series*, Vol. 80, p. 145.

³ United Nations, *Treaty Series*, Vol. 179, p. 165.