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The Secretary of State to the Chargé d'Affaires of the Federal Republic of Germany

The Secretary of State presents his compliments to the Chargé d'Affaires of the Federal Republic of Germany and refers to the note of the Diplomatic Mission of August 17, 1954[2] concurring in a proposal by the Department of State in its note of May 17, 1954[2] for the final disposition of twelve of the twenty-two claims for damages lodged by third parties against the Federal Republic or its agencies arising from the reacquisition of certain of the surplus property by the United States which had previously been sold by the United States to the Federal Republic. This exchange of notes also envisaged further negotiations between representatives of the two Governments with respect to the remaining ten claims. Meanwhile claims C-15 (Lutes) and C-20 (Kuehn) have been disposed of and so require no further consideration under Articles I and VII of the Surplus Property Payments Agreement.[3]

Further negotiations between representatives of the two Governments have since taken place regarding the remaining claims in a series of meetings held both in Bonn and in Washington. It also was possible in the meantime for representatives of the United States to analyze and study the claims based upon investigations in the United States and the Federal Republic as well as on information supplied by representatives of the Federal Republic. As a result it was possible during the negotiations for the representatives of the United States to inform the representatives of the Federal Republic of the amounts of the deductions from the indebtedness of the Federal Republic specified in Article I of the Surplus Property Payments Agreement of February 27, 1953 which the United States would be prepared to allow as full and final disposition and adjustment between the two Governments in respect of certain of the remaining claims.

[1] Came into force on 19 April 1955, in accordance with the terms of the said notes.
[2] United Nations, *Treaty Series*, Vol. 233, p. 31.
[3] United Nations, *Treaty Series*, Vol. 205, p. 103.