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The American Chargé d'Affaires ad interim to the French Minister for Foreign Affairs

THE FOREIGN SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
AMERICAN EMBASSY

No. 325

Paris, March 23, 1956

Excellency :

I have the honor to refer to conversations which have taken place between representatives of the Government of the United States of America and representatives of the Government of France regarding the desirability of establishing a cooperative program for the establishment and operation of a rawinsonde observation station on the island of Guadeloupe in the French West Indies.

The purpose of such a program is to provide essential meteorological information for research into the origin, development, structure, and movement of hurricanes and for the preparation of hurricane warnings. The ultimate object is to achieve greater accuracy and timeliness in forecasts of hurricanes and in warnings of accompanying destructive winds, tides and floods.

In view of the mutual benefit to our countries which is likely to result, the Government of the United States of America desires to invite the Government of France to participate in a cooperative meteorological observation program, in accordance with the following principles :

1. *Cooperating Agencies*

The cooperating agencies shall be

- (1) for the Government of the United States of America, the Weather Bureau, Department of Commerce, hereinafter referred to as the United States Cooperating Agency and

¹ Came into force on 18 June 1956, the date of signature of a memorandum of arrangement embodying technical details, in accordance with the provisions of the said notes.