HEALTH AND SANITATION PROGRAM

Exchange of notes at Bogotá July 8 and 29, 1948, modifying and extending agreement of October 23, 1942
Entered into force July 31, 1948; operative from June 30, 1948
Program expired June 30, 1960

62 Stat. 3880; Treaties and Other International Acts Series 1958

The American Ambassador to the Minister of Foreign Affairs

Bogota, July 8, 1948

Excellency:

I have the honor to refer to the notes exchanged by the Ambassador of the United States to Colombia and His Excellency the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Colombia, dated February 14 and 19, 1946, respectively, and to the Basic Agreement subsequently entered into during the same month between the Government of Colombia and The Institute of Inter-American Affairs, which notes and agreement provided for the continuation of the existing cooperative health and sanitation program in Colombia. I also refer to Your Excellency’s note of July 7, 1948, suggesting the consideration by our respective Governments of a further extension of that Agreement.

As Your Excellency knows, the mentioned Basic Agreement provides that the cooperative health and sanitation program will terminate on June 30, 1948. However, considering the mutual benefits which both governments are deriving from the program, my Government agrees with the Government of Colombia that an extension of such program would be desirable. I have been advised by the Department of State in Washington that arrangements may now be made for the Institute to continue its participation in the cooperative program for a period of one year, from June 30, 1948, through June 30, 1949. It would be understood that, during such period of extension, the Institute would make a contribution of $60,000.00 United States currency to the Servicio Cooperativo Inter-Americano de Salud Publica, for use in carrying out project activities of the program, on condition that your Government would contribute to the Servicio for the same purpose the sum

1 EAS 369, ante, p. 950.
2 TIAS 1623, ante, p. 969.
of 1,000,000 pesos. The Institute would also be willing, during the same extension period, to make available funds to be retained by the Institute, and not deposited to the account of the Servicio, for payment of salaries and other expenses of the members of the Institute Health and Sanitation Division Field Staff, who are maintained by the Institute in Colombia. The amounts referred to would be in addition to the sums already required under the present Basic Agreement to be contributed and made available by the parties in furtherance of the program.

If Your Excellency agrees that the proposed extension on the above basis is acceptable to your Government, I would appreciate receiving an expression of Your Excellency's opinion and agreement thereto as soon as may be possible in order that the technical details of the extension may be worked out by officials of the Ministry of Health and Sanitation and The Institute of Inter-American Affairs.

The Government of the United States of America will consider the present Note and your reply Note concurring therein as constituting an agreement between our two Governments, which shall come into force on the date of signature of an Agreement by the Minister of Hygiene of Colombia and by a Representative of the Institute of Inter-American Affairs embodying the above mentioned technical details.

I avail myself of this opportunity to renew to Your Excellency the assurances of my highest and most distinguished consideration.

WILLARD L. BEAULAC

His Excellency
Doctor Eduardo Zuleta Angel,
Minister of Foreign Relations,
Colombia.

The Minister of Foreign Affairs to the American Ambassador
[TRANSLATION]

MINISTRY OF
FOREIGN RELATIONS
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Bogotá, July 29, 1948

Mr. Ambassador:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Your Excellency's note No. 151 of July 8, 1948, which outlines the conditions under which the Government of the United States of America is prepared to accept an extension of the Basic Agreement between the Government of Colombia and the Institute of Inter-American Affairs providing for the continuation of the cooperative health and sanitation program of Colombia.

I take pleasure in informing Your Excellency that my Government agrees to the extension contemplated of that Agreement on the basis set forth in
Your Excellency's note, and that the Government of Colombia will, therefore, consider that Your Excellency's note and the present reply thereto constitute an agreement concluded between our two Governments which will come into force beginning with the date on which the Minister of Hygiene of Colombia and a representative of the Institute of Inter-American Affairs sign an agreement which includes the technical details of the said extension.

I take pleasure in renewing to Your Excellency the expression of my highest consideration.

Eduardo Zuleta A.

His Excellency

Willard L. Beulac,
Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America, City.