HEALTH AND SANITATION PROGRAM

Exchange of notes at San Salvador May 4 and 5, 1942
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Supplemented by agreements of August 18 and September 23, 1948; ¹ July 21 and 27, 1949; ² and November 10 and December 13, 1950 ³
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The American Minister to the Minister of Foreign Affairs

Legation of the United States of America
San Salvador, May 4, 1942

No. 1049

Excellency:

I have the honor to inform Your Excellency that, in accordance with Resolution XXX of the Third Meeting of Ministers of Foreign Affairs of the American Republics at Rio de Janeiro, relating to health and sanitary conditions, the Government of the United States is prepared to contribute a sum in the amount of $500,000 to be expended in ways which will assist the Government of El Salvador in attaining its objectives in the matters of health and sanitation.

My Government notes that projects such as the improvement of water supply, the development of facilities for adequate sewage disposal, and the control of endemic or epidemic diseases have been among the chief objectives of the Salvadoran Government in health and sanitation matters. My Government considers that the further development of projects of this character will

¹ 3 UST 2728; TIAS 2440.
² 3 UST 2731; TIAS 2441.
³ 2 UST 649; TIAS 2219.
⁴ 6 UST 2905; TIAS 3334.
⁵ 14 UST 334; TIAS 5315.
⁷ For text, see Department of State Bulletin, Feb. 7, 1942, p. 137.
contribute to the realization of the general objectives set forth in the above-mentioned resolution to which our respective Governments are committed.

In this connection, the Government of the United States acting through the agency of the Office of the Coordinator of Inter-American Affairs will send, if it is agreeable to Your Excellency, a small group of experts to El Salvador in order to develop a specific program in agreement with Your Excellency's Government, acting through officials designated by it.

This group will be under the immediate direction of the Chief Medical Officer of the Office of the Coordinator of Inter-American Affairs, and will work in the closest cooperation with the appropriate Salvadoran officials. The salaries and expenses of the group of experts will not be debited against project funds. Approval for the actual execution of the specific projects agreed upon will be given by the respective Governments to their duly appointed agents. Expenditures for such projects shall be made upon certification of the Chief Medical Officer and the appropriate Salvadoran official designated for the areas where projects will be executed.

These projects upon completion will of course become the sole property of El Salvador. The United States Government will be prepared to facilitate such training of personnel as the two Governments deem advisable.

My Government anticipates that the Salvadoran Government will be willing to provide, in accordance with its ability, such raw materials, services and funds as may be deemed necessary for the proper execution of the program.

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

Robert Frazer
American Minister

His Excellency
Dr. Miguel Angel Araujo,
Minister of Foreign Affairs,
San Salvador.

The Minister of Foreign Affairs to the American Minister

[TRANSLATION]

MINISTRY OF FOREIGN RELATIONS
REPUBLIC OF EL SALVADOR, C.A.
DIPLOMATIC SECTION
A-500-D-1068

Mr. Minister:
I have received Your Excellency's esteemed note 1049 of the 4th instant, in which you are good enough to inform me that, in conformity with resolution XXX of the Third Meeting of Ministers of Foreign Affairs of the
American Republics at Rio de Janeiro, relative to conditions of health and sanitation, the United States Government is disposed to contribute a sum amounting to $500,000 which must be spent in means which will aid the Government of El Salvador to attain its objectives in matters of health and sanitation; that your Government observes that projects such as improvement of the water supply, the development of facilities for the adequate disposition of sewage, and the control of endemic and epidemic diseases have figured among the principal objectives of the Salvadoran Government in matters of health and sanitation; that your Government considers that larger development projects of this character will contribute to the realization of the general objectives indicated in the resolution above mentioned; that, for such purpose, the United States Government, acting through the agency of the Office of the Coordinator of Inter-American Affairs, will send, if it is agreeable to my Government, a small group of experts to El Salvador for the purpose of carrying out a specific program in accord with the Salvadoran Government acting through officials appointed by it; that this group will be under the immediate direction of the chief medical officer of the Office of the Coordinator of Inter-American Affairs, and will work in close cooperation with the corresponding Salvadoran officials; that the salaries and expenses of the group of experts will not be charged against the funds of the project; that the approval for the actual execution of the specific projects agreed upon will be given by the respective Governments to their duly appointed agents; that the expenditures for such projects will be made upon certification by the chief medical officer and the corresponding Salvadoran official appointed for the areas in which the projects will be executed; that these projects when finished will, naturally, become the exclusive property of El Salvador; that the United States Government will be disposed to facilitate such instruction of personnel as the two Governments deem fit, and that your Government anticipates that the Government of El Salvador will be desirous of furnishing, in accordance with its capacities, the raw materials, services, and funds which are deemed necessary for the adequate execution of the program.

I have the honor to inform Your Excellency that it was a source of satisfaction to me to lay before the President of the Republic as well as the Members of his Cabinet, the generous terms of your above-mentioned note, and they all charge me to advise you that the Government of El Salvador accepts and is sincerely grateful for the valued assistance which is offered to it by the United States Government to improve the services indicated.

Dr. Arturo Ramón Avila, Assistant Secretary of Foreign Affairs and Justice, has been commissioned to place this reply in Your Excellency’s hands and to repeat to you verbally our acceptance and our gratitude for the reason above given.
I renew to Your Excellency the assurances of my highest and most distinguished consideration.

MIGUEL ANGEL ARAUJO

His Excellency

ROBERT Frazer,
Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary
of the United States of America,
City.