

EXCHANGE OF NOTES CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES AND THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ON THE USE OF THE VETERANS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL AND THE PROVISI...

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Note : The Agreement entered into force, June 28, 1963.

Reference : This Agreement is also published in 479 UNTS, p. 372.

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THE AMERICAN AMBASSADOR TO THE PHILIPPINE SECRETARY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

No. 1010

Manila, June 28, 1963

Excellency:

I have the honor to refer to the agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of the Philippines, signed on June 30, 1958, relating to the use of the Veterans Memorial Hospital and granting aid for medical care and treatment of Veterans.

The Congress of the United States by Public Law 88-40, approved June 13, 1963, extended the period of the contract authorized in the agreement, authorized further payments for hospital care and travel expenses incident to the hospitalization of Commonwealth Army veterans, and provided that payments may consist of medicine, medical supplies and medical equipment in certain circumstances.

In order that the Government of the Republic of the Philippines may take advantage of the provisions of Public Law 88-40 for the purpose of continuing the program of medical care and hospitalization of the disabled veterans who come within the purview of the existing agreement, it is proposed that the agreement of June 30, 1958, be amended as follows:

1. The preamble to the agreement is amended by inserting in the first paragraph after "June 18, 1958" and in the second paragraph following "Public Law 85-461" after the following:

"As embodied in Sections 624 and 631-634, Title 38, United States Code as amended by Public Law 88-40."

2. Articles 2 and 13 are amended by adding "as embodied in Sections 624 and 631-634, Title 38, United States Code as amended by Public Law 88-40," after, the phrase "Public Law 85-461" wherever such phrase occurs.

3. Article 1, subparagraph (C) is amended by deleting the word "five" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "ten".

4. Article 1, subparagraph (D) is amended by deleting the period at the end of the sentence and inserting the following; "ending before July 1, 1963, nor \$500,000 for any one fiscal year beginning on or after such date; and,"

5. Article 1 is further amended by deleting the word "and" appearing after the semi-colon in subparagraph (C);

and by adding new subparagraph (E) to read as follows:

"To provide that during the contract period specified in this article, and upon request of the Philippine Government, payments for hospital care and for medical services provided to Commonwealth Army veterans or to United States veterans may consist in whole or in part of available medicines, medical supplies and equipment furnished by the administrator to the Veterans Memorial Hospital at valuation therefor as determined by the administrator, provided the valuations so determined shall not be less than the cost of the items furnished, including transportation."

6. The last sentence of Article 8 is amended by deleting the words "to the \$2,000,000 ceiling" and inserting "to the appropriate ceiling for the fiscal year in question."

7. The last sentence of Article 9 is amended by deleting the words "to the \$2,000,000 ceiling" and inserting in lieu thereof "to the appropriate ceiling for the fiscal year in question."

Upon receipt of a note from your Excellency indicating that the foregoing provisions are acceptable to the Government of the Republic of the Philippines, the Government of the United States of America will consider that this note and your reply thereto constitute an agreement between our two governments on this subject, the agreement to enter into force on the date of your note in reply.

Accept, Excellency, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

William E. Stevenson

His Excellency Emmanuel Pelaez
Secretary of Foreign Affairs

The Philippine Secretary of Foreign Affairs to the American Ambassador

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

Manila, June 28, 1963

Excellency:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Excellency's Note No. 1010 of today's date, which reads as follows:

[See note I]

I have the honor to inform Your Excellency that the provisions set forth in Your Excellency's Note are acceptable to my Government and that my Government agrees that your Note, together with this Reply, shall be regarded as constituting an agreement between our two Governments on this matter, which becomes effective as of the date of this Reply.

Accept, Your Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Emmanuel Pelaez
Secretary of Foreign Affairs

His Excellency William Edwards Stevenson
Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary
Embassy of the United States of America
Manila

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