

**Exchange of Letters on the Base Agreement with respect to the
rehabilitation or reconstruction of the Zarumilla Canal's water pipes and
related operations on the Zarumilla Canal**

Note RE (GAC) No. 6/50

Lima, October 26th, 1998

His Excellency Minister:

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

**Fernando de Trazegnies Granda
Minister of Foreign Affairs of Peru**

**To His Excellency Mr Doctor
Jose Ayala Lasso
Minister of Foreign Affairs of Ecuador**

Quito.-

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