RELIEF ASSISTANCE

Agreement signed at Vienna June 25, 1947 Entered into force June 25, 1947 Terminated December 31, 1948

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AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND AUSTRIA

Whereas, it is the desire of the United States to provide relief assistance to the Austrian people to prevent suffering and to permit them to continue effectively their efforts toward recovery; and

Whereas, the Austrian Government has requested the United States Government for relief assistance and has presented information which convinces the United States Government that the Austrian Government urgently needs assistance in obtaining the basic essentials of life for the people of Austria; and

Whereas, the United States Congress has by Public Law 84, Eightieth Congress, May 31, 1947,² authorized the provision of relief assistance to the people of those countries which, in the determination of the President, need such assistance and have given satisfactory assurances covering the relief program as required by the Act of Congress; and

Whereas, the Austrian Government and the United States Government desire to define certain conditions and understandings concerning the handling and distribution of the United States relief supplies and to establish the general lines of their cooperation in meeting the relief needs of the Austrian people;

The Government of the United States represented by Lieutenant General Geoffrey Keyes, U.S. High Commissioner, Commanding General U.S.F.A., and the Government of Austria represented by Federal Chancellor Ing. Dr. h. c. Leopold Figl and Federal Minister for Foreign Affairs Dr. Karl Gruber, have agreed as follows:

² 61 Stat. 125.

¹ Pursuant to exchange of notes at Vienna Dec. 23 and 28, 1948.