# DEFENSE BASE AT SALINAS

*Agreement signed at Quito February 20, 1942, modifying and amplifying agreement of January 24, 1942*
*Entered into force February 20, 1942*

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Duly empowered by Colonel Alberto C. Romero, Minister for the National Defense of Ecuador, and by the Commanding General of the Caribbean Defense Command of the United States of America, respectively, Colonel Ricardo Astudillo, Superior Commander of the Army of Ecuador, and Colonel Serafín M. Montesinos, United States Army, met to modify and amplify the Agreement which was effected January 24, 1942.[1] These modifications and amplifications, as well as the Agreement mentioned, must be previously ratified by the Governments of Ecuador and the United States in order to be in effect.

Insert a)    Articles 1, 2, 3, and 4 remain the same as stated in the Agreement.

Insert b)    Article 5 of the Agreement is modified as follows:

He also allows the Commanding General of the Caribbean Defense Command to organize an American police for internal service during the stay of the personnel of the Army, Navy, and Aviation of the United States of America on Ecuadoran soil, the said American police to exercise its functions in the parish of Salinas. This will not prevent the Government of the Republic of Ecuador to maintain its own police in the said zone. In order to put this article into effect, the Commander of the North American Base and the Ecuadorian Commander of the Province of Guayas will determine the norms for its execution.

Insert c)    Article 6 of the Agreement is modified as follows:

The constructions and installations authorized may be started immediately upon the signing of the present Agreement. General Lyon agrees to recommend that the sum of thirty-five thousand dollars ($35,000.00) be delivered immediately to the Government of Ecuador for the expropriation and indemnization for the lands and dwellings of the Municipality of Salinas and of private citizens established on the lands pertaining to this Agreement, and

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[1] *Ante,* p. 363.