## FACILITIES FOR UNITED STATES FORCES IN FRANCE

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AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE REPUBLIC OF FRANCE REGARDING FACILITIES FOR UNITED STATES FORCES IN FRANCE IN CONNECTION WITH THE OCCUPATION OF GERMANY AND AUSTRIA

The Government of the United States of America, and

The Government of the Republic of France,

Considering, on the one hand, that the American Government has obligations resulting from the presence of its troops in Germany and Austria and, on the other hand, that the geographical position of France and the French Overseas Territories both in Europe and in Africa is such that they are situated between the United States and the zones occupied by the United States Forces in Europe have agreed to the continuation, for a limited period, of the following provisions:

## ARTICLE I

- a) The United States Forces shall have the right to transit or sojourn in Metropolitan France under the conditions stipulated in the present Agreement, and in accordance with the modality which may be determined from time to time between the two Governments.
- b) The expression "members of the United States Forces" when used in this Agreement will include personnel of the Army, Navy or Air Force, as well as United States civilians who are employed by, or serve with, the United States Forces and who are subject to United States military law. All persons thus defined will be in possession of a military identity card and military duty or leave orders. Specimen copies of the identity card and military duty or leave orders will be made available to the French authorities. In the absence of these documents or in case of doubt as to their validity, the French authorities will consult with the nearest United States military authorities to determine whether a particular individual is a "member of the United States Forces" as defined above.