

## LEND-LEASE <sup>1</sup>

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### AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND ETHIOPIA ON THE PRINCIPLES APPLYING TO MUTUAL AID IN THE PROSECUTION OF THE WAR AGAINST AGGRESSION

Whereas the Governments of the United States of America and Ethiopia declare that they are engaged in a cooperative undertaking, together with every other nation or people of like mind, to the end of laying the bases of a just and enduring world peace securing order under law to themselves and all nations;

And whereas the Government of the United States of America as a signatory of the Declaration by United Nations of January 1, 1942 <sup>2</sup> and the Government of Ethiopia as an adherent to that Declaration have subscribed to a common program of purposes and principles embodied in the Joint Declaration made on August 14, 1941 by the President of the United States of America and the Prime Minister of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, known as the Atlantic Charter; <sup>3</sup>

And whereas the President of the United States of America has determined, pursuant to the Act of Congress of March 11, 1941, <sup>4</sup> that the defense of Ethiopia against aggression is vital to the defense of the United States of America;

And whereas the United States of America has extended and is continuing to extend to Ethiopia aid in resisting aggression;

And whereas it is expedient that the final determination of the terms and conditions upon which the Government of Ethiopia receives such aid and of the benefits to be received by the United States of America in return therefor should be deferred until the extent of the defense aid is known and until the progress of events makes clearer the final terms and conditions and bene-

<sup>1</sup> See also lend-lease settlement agreement of May 20, 1949 (TIAS 1931), *post*, p. 678.

<sup>2</sup> EAS 236, *ante*, vol. 3, p. 697.

<sup>3</sup> EAS 236, *ante*, vol. 3, p. 686.

<sup>4</sup> 55 Stat. 31.