LEND-LEASE¹

Agreement signed at Washington March 17, 1942 Entered into force March 17, 1942

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Whereas the undersigned Sumner Welles, Acting Secretary of State of the United States of America, has been duly authorized by His Excellency Franklin Delano Roosevelt, President of the United States of America, on behalf of the United States of America pursuant to the Act of the Congress of the United States of America of March 11, 1941,² and Gabriel Turbay, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of Colombia to the United States of America, has been duly authorized by His Excellency Eduardo Santos, President of the Republic of Colombia, on behalf of the Republic of Colombia pursuant to Laws 20 and 128 of 1941, to conclude an agreement for the supplying of defense articles and defense information; and

Whereas, in conformity with the Declaration of Lima of December 24, 1938 and Declaration XV approved July 30, 1940 at the Second Meeting of Foreign Ministers of the American Republics held in Habana, the United States of America and the Republic of Colombia have expressed their desire to cooperate in the defense and maintenance of the peace, the security and integrity of the American Continent against any act of aggression which is planned or directed against any of the American Republics and having decided that the defense of each of the American Republics is essential to the defense of all of them;

They have for that purpose agreed upon the following:

ARTICLE I

The United States of America, at the request of the Government of the Republic of Colombia, will supply to the Republic of Colombia, in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, defense articles to a value of about \$16,200,000.

¹ An arrangement for full settlement within basic terms of lend-lease agreement was effected by agreement of Apr. 13, 1950; final payment was made and reported in 33d Report to Congress on Lend-Lease Operations, p. 3.

^{2 55} Stat. 31.

^{&#}x27;Ante, vol. 3, p. 534.

⁴ For text, see Department of State Bulletin, Aug. 24, 1940, p. 136.