LEND-LEASE: AID TO U.S. ARMED FORCES 1

Exchange of notes at Washington June 14, 1943, supplementing agreement of July 8, 1942

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The Netherlands Ambassador to the Secretary of State

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Sir:

In the United Nations' declaration of January 1, 1942,³ the contracting governments pledged themselves to employ their full resources, military or economic, against those nations with which they are at war; and in the Agreement of July 8, 1942 ⁴ between the Governments of the United States and of the Netherlands, on the Principles Applying to Mutual Aid in the Prosecution of the War against Aggression, each contracting government undertook to provide the other with such articles, services, facilities, or information useful in the prosecution of their common war effort as it might be in a position to supply. It is the understanding of the Government of the Kingdom of the Netherlands that the general principle to be followed in providing mutual aid as set forth in the said Agreement of July 8, 1942 is that the war production and the war resources of both Nations should be used by each in ways which most effectively utilize the available materials, manpower, production facilities and shipping space.

With a view, therefore, to supplementing the Agreement of July 8, 1942, I have the honor to set forth below the understanding of the Government of the Kingdom of the Netherlands of the principles and procedures applicable to the provision of aid by the Government of the Kingdom of the Netherlands to the armed forces of the United States and the manner in which such aid will be correlated with the maintenance of those forces by the United States Government.

¹ See also lend-lease settlement agreements of May 28, 1947 (TIAS 1750, post, p. 188), and June 1 and 8, 1950 (1 UST 638; TIAS 2119).

² EAS 480, post, p. 167.

³ EAS 236, ante, vol. 3, p. 697.

⁴ EAS 259, ante, p. 142.