

HEALTH AND SANITATION PROGRAM

Exchange of notes at Quito July 26 and August 22, 1949, supplementing and extending agreement of February 24, 1942,¹ as supplemented and extended

*Entered into force August 26, 1949; ² operative from June 30, 1949
Program expired June 30, 1960*

63 Stat. 2790; Treaties and Other
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The American Chargé d'Affaires ad interim to the Minister of Foreign Affairs

No. 289

QUITO, July 26, 1949

EXCELLENCY:

I have the honor to refer to the Basic Agreement, as amended, entered into in January 1943, on behalf of the Republic of Ecuador and The Institute of Inter-American Affairs, providing for the existing cooperative health and sanitation program in Ecuador. I also refer to Your Excellency's note no. 120 of July 14, 1949, suggesting the consideration by our respective governments of a further extension of that Agreement.

Considering the mutual benefits which both Governments are deriving from the program, my Government agrees with the Government of Ecuador that an extension of the program beyond its present termination date of June 30, 1949, would be desirable. Accordingly, I have been advised by the Department of State in Washington that arrangements may now be made for the Institute to continue its participation in the program for a period of one year, from June 30, 1949, through June 30, 1950. It would be understood that, during this period of extension, the Institute would make a contribution of \$150,000 in the currency of the United States, to the Servicio Cooperativo Interamericano de Salud Publica, for use in carrying out project activities of the program, on condition that your Government would contribute to the Servicio for the same purpose the sum of 6,030,000 sucres (the equivalent of U.S. \$450,000 at the rate of 13.4 sucres to the dollar). The Institute would also be willing, during the same extension period, to make available funds to

¹ EAS 379, *ante*, p. 368.

² Date of signature of technical agreement by representative of Institute of Inter-American Affairs and Ecuadorean Minister of Social Welfare and Labor.

be administered by the Institute, and not deposited to the account of the Servicio, for payment of salaries and other expenses of the members of the Health and Sanitation Division field staff who are maintained by the Institute in Ecuador. The amounts referred to would be in addition to the sums already required under the present Basic Agreement, as amended, to be contributed and made available by the parties in furtherance of the program.

The Government of the United States of America will consider the present note and your reply note concurring therein as constituting an agreement between our two Governments, which will come into force on the date of signature of an agreement by the Minister of Social Welfare and Labor and a representative of The Institute of Inter-American Affairs embodying the above-mentioned technical details.

If the proposed extension on the above basis is acceptable to your Government, I would appreciate receiving an expression of Your Excellency's assurance to that effect as soon as may be possible, in order that the technical details of the extension may be worked out by the officials of the Ministry of Social Welfare and Labor and The Institute of Inter-American Affairs.

I avail myself of this opportunity to renew to Your Excellency the assurances of my highest and most distinguished consideration.

MAURICE M. BERNBAUM
Chargé d'Affaires ad interim

His Excellency

Dr. L. NEFTALÍ PONCE,
Minister for Foreign Affairs,
Quito.

The Minister of Foreign Affairs to the American Chargé d'Affaires ad interim

[TRANSLATION]

REPUBLIC OF ECUADOR
MINISTRY OF FOREIGN RELATIONS

No. 151-DDP

QUITO, August 22, 1949

MR. CHARGÉ D'AFFAIRES:

I have the honor to reply to your courteous note number 289, of July 26 last, in which, with reference to the instruments that regulate the cooperative public health program in Ecuador, and considering the mutual benefits which the Governments of our two countries are deriving from the said program, you are good enough to inform me that the Government of the United States of America agrees with the Government of Ecuador that an extension of the program beyond June 30, 1949, would be desirable, and that accordingly you have been advised by the Department of State that the necessary arrangements may now be made for the Institute of Inter-American

Affairs to continue its participation in the program for a period of one year, from June 30, 1949 through June 30, 1950, with the understanding that, during this period of extension, the Institute would make a contribution of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000) to the Servicio Cooperativo Interamericano de Salud Pública, for use in carrying out project activities of the program, on condition that the Government of Ecuador would contribute to the Servicio Cooperativo for the same purpose the sum of six million thirty thousand sucres (S/. 6,030,000) equivalent to four hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$450,000) at the rate of 13.4 sucres to the dollar. You are good enough to inform me, further, that the Institute would be willing, during the same extension period, to make available funds to be administered by the Institute, and not deposited to the account of the Servicio Cooperativo, for payment of salaries and other expenses of the members of the Health and Sanitation Division field staff who are maintained by the Institute in Ecuador; and that the amounts referred to—in addition to the sums already required under the present Basic Agreement, as amended—should be contributed and made available by the parties in furtherance of the program.

2. In reply, and after the appropriate consultations with the respective government agency, I have the honor to inform you that the Government of Ecuador agrees with the appraisals and purposes set forth in the communication, to which I am pleased to answer, and concurs in the proposals contained therein for the extension of the cooperative public health program in Ecuador through June 30, 1950. To this end, the Ecuadoran Government is taking the necessary steps to assure the contribution of six million thirty thousand sucres (S/. 6,030,000) which it has to make, for its share, to the continuation of the said Program.

3. It is a pleasure to inform you, further, that my Government also agrees to consider the note to which I am replying and the present note as constituting an agreement between our two Governments, which will come into force on the date of signature of an agreement between the Minister of Social Welfare and a representative of The Institute of Inter-American Affairs embodying the above-mentioned technical details.

I avail myself of the opportunity to renew to Your Excellency the assurances of my distinguished consideration.

L. N. PONCE

The Honorable MAURICE M. BERNBAUM,
Chargé d'Affaires ad interim
of the United States of America.