

## HEALTH AND SANITATION PROGRAM

*Exchange of notes at La Paz August 1 and 8, 1944, modifying and extending agreement of July 15 and 16, 1942*

*Entered into force January 1, 1945*

*Program expired June 30, 1960*

58 Stat. 1568; Executive Agreement Series 445

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

EMBASSY OF THE  
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
LA PAZ, BOLIVIA  
*August 1, 1944*

No. 489

### EXCELLENCY:

I have the honor to refer to the notes exchanged between the Ambassador of the United States of America to Bolivia and the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Bolivia on July 15, and July 16, 1942,<sup>1</sup> and the subsequent exchange of letters and the memoranda of agreement between the Institute of Inter-American Affairs and the Bolivian Ministry of Labor, Public Health and Social Welfare on July 15, 1942, and on subsequent occasions, relative to the cooperative health and sanitation program provided for by Resolution XXX<sup>2</sup> approxed at the Third Meeting of Ministers of Foreign Affairs of the American Republics held in Rio de Janeiro in January, 1942. In accordance with the communications under reference, the United States of America has agreed to make available a sum not to exceed one million (U.S.\$1,000,000) dollars for the cooperative health and sanitation program which is now being carried out in Bolivia.

If desired by the Government of Bolivia, the Government of the United States of America, through the Institute of Inter-American Affairs, a Division of the Office of the Coordinator of Inter-American Affairs and an Agency of the Government of the United States of America, is prepared to make available an additional sum of \$500,000 for the purpose of continuing in collaboration with the Government of Bolivia the cooperative program of health and sanitation over a three-year period beginning January 1, 1945, provided that an amount is contributed by the Government of Bolivia for the same purposes equal to one million (\$1,000,000) dollars, U.S. currency.

<sup>1</sup> EAS 300, *ante*, p. 759.

<sup>2</sup> For text, see *Department of State Bulletin*, Feb. 7, 1942, p. 137.

The kind of work and specific projects to be undertaken and the expenditure of the funds are to be mutually agreed to by the appropriate official of the Government of Bolivia and the appropriate official of the Institute of Inter-American Affairs, for the Government of the United States of America.

It is understood that the funds contributed by both governments will be spent through the special agency created within the Ministry of Labor, Public Health and Social Welfare by your Government, which special agency is known as the Servicio Cooperativo Interamericano de Salud Pública. Detailed arrangements for the continuation of the special Servicio and the fulfillment of the program will be effected by agreement between the appropriate official of the Government of Bolivia and an appropriate official of the Institute of Inter-American Affairs for the United States of America.

It is understood that the Government of the United States of America will continue to furnish such personnel as may be considered necessary in order to collaborate with the Servicio Cooperativo Interamericano de Salud Pública in executing the health and sanitation program.

All assets acquired by the Servicio Cooperativo Interamericano de Salud Pública in connection with the health and sanitation program shall remain the property of the Government of Bolivia.

No project will be undertaken that will require supplies or materials the procurement of which would handicap any phase of the war effort.

I should appreciate it if Your Excellency would be so kind as to confirm to me your approval of this general proposal, with the understanding that the details of the program will be the subject of further discussion and agreement as provided herein.

Please accept, Excellency, the renewed assurance of my most distinguished consideration.

EDWARD D. McLAUGHLIN  
*Chargé d'Affaires ad interim*

His Excellency  
DOCTOR DON ENRIQUE BALDIVIESO  
*Minister of Foreign Affairs and Worship*  
*La Paz*

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

[TRANSLATION]

MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS  
AND WORSHIP

No. : A. E. s/g. 222-

LA PAZ, August 8, 1944

MR. CHARGÉ D'AFFAIRES:

I am pleased to refer to your esteemed note number 489, dated the first of the current month, relating to the cooperative program of health and

sanitation which is to be developed by the Servicio Cooperativo Interamericano de Salud Pública in Bolivia.

In reply, I take pleasure in stating to you that my Government will furnish the sum of one million dollars (U.S. \$1,000,000) during the years 1945, 1946, and 1947, assigned to the common fund which is to be administered by the Servicio Cooperativo Interamericano de Salud Pública in Bolivia, in accordance with the spirit of the contract signed July 15, 1942, and of agreements which may be reached subsequently for the better use of these funds.

Likewise, my Government accepts, very gratefully, the contribution offered by the Government of the United States, in the note to which I am replying, of the sum of five hundred thousand dollars (U.S. \$500,000) in addition to that of one million dollars already furnished, which is being used at the present time in sanitary services of the country by the above-mentioned agency. This additional sum, together with the contribution of the Bolivian State, shall be used to carry out the projects comprised in the years 1945, 1946, and 1947.

This agreement having been concluded, the Ministry of Health will discuss with the appropriate personnel of the Servicio Cooperativo Interamericano de Salud Pública the details of the program for future sanitary action in Bolivia.

On this opportunity, I reiterate to you the assurances of my very distinguished consideration.

For the Minister

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