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Subj: Philippines Loran-A Support Agreement.

1. Enclosures (1) and (2) are forwarded for your information. Subject agreement is retroactive to 1 JAN 75 and expires 31 DEC 76 unless extended under the terms contained therein.

*DT Jones*  
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Encl: (1) Department of State Telegram #17951  
(2) Loran-A Support Agreement

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1. Embassy received Dec 23 a note from DFA advising that proposals contained in our note of Nov 3 "are acceptable to the Philippine Government and, accordingly, considers said note and this reply as constituting an agreement between the two Governments effective as of 1 January 1975."
2. DFA note and certified copy our note being pouched in accordance para 2, reftel.

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The Embassy of the United States of America presents its compliments to the Department of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of the Philippines and has the honor to refer to the exchange of notes between the two Governments, dated October 19, 1970, which agreement terminated on December 31, 1974, and to the recent discussions between representatives of the two Governments concerning the continuing operation of the Long Range Aid to Navigation-A Stations (LORAN-A) owned and operated by the Government of the Republic of the Philippines.

In order to assist the Government of the Republic of the Philippines in the attainment of its goal of efficiently and independently operating its LORAN-A stations in consonance with its interests in providing navigational aids and in recognition of the use made of these navigational aids by United States aircraft and vessels, the Embassy proposes the following:

The LORAN-A stations referred to in this Agreement are located at Batan Islands, Batanes; Naulo Point, Santa Cruz, Zambales; Little Panay Island, Catanduanes; Talampulan Island, Palawan; and Tarumpitao Point,

The United States Coast Guard will provide technical consultants, administrative assistance, the necessary spare and/or replacement parts for the operation of LORAN-A transmitting equipment, testing and calibration equipment, transmitting antennas, power generating equipment and single side band voice transmitting and receiving equipment including LORAN transmitting equipment at the training center at Sangley Point, at no cost to the Government of the Republic of the Philippines.

United States Coast Guard technicians, in order to assist in the installation of new field changes, to make alterations, to estimate future parts requirements, and for other such purposes, may, upon notification to the appropriate Philippine Government office, visit any of the stations listed above.

The Government of the Republic of the Philippines will, before changing the LORAN-A transmitting and other equipment presently being used at said stations, consult with the United States Coast Guard regarding such changes.

The United States Coast Guard, within its capacity and authority and subject to the availability of funds and personnel, will assist the Government of the Republic of the Philippines in establishing in the Republic of the Philippines a basic technical training program for LORAN-A operation personnel

at Sangley Point.

To help defray the cost of supplying and operating the said stations, the United States Coast Guard will provide the Government of the Republic of the Philippines the sum of five thousand dollars for each of the LORAN-A stations listed above for each year period contemplated by this Agreement and is non-refundable.

Entry into the Republic of the Philippines of all spare parts, material and equipment provided by the United States Coast Guard for the continued operation and maintenance of the LORAN-A stations is authorized free of all customs, duties and other taxes and charges. Also, such equipment and material will be exempt from all transportation charges if the means of transportation belongs to the Philippine Government, its agencies or sub-divisions.

United States Coast Guard personnel assigned to implement this Agreement will have a status identical with that of members of the United States Armed Forces present in the Republic of the Philippines in connection with the operation, maintenance and use of the United States military bases pursuant to the United States of America and the Republic of the Philippines Military Bases Agreement of 1947, as amended.



This Agreement shall remain in force for a period of two years. During this period either Government may terminate the Agreement by providing the other Government with 60 days written notice. If either Government wishes to extend this Agreement beyond the two-year period, it will request consultations 60 days prior to the expiration date of this Agreement. This Agreement may be extended by mutual agreement on an annual basis.

If the foregoing is acceptable to the Government of the Republic of the Philippines, the Embassy proposes that this note and the Department's reply indicating concurrence shall constitute an agreement between the two Governments effective as of January 1, 1975.

The Embassy avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Department the assurances of its highest consideration.

Embassy of the United States of America,

Manila, November 3, 1975

  
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