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# HEALTH AND SANITATION PROGRAM

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## AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND HAITI

Effected by Exchange of Notes  
Signed at Port-au-Prince June 29 and July 12, 1944



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*The American Ambassador to the Haitian Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs*

EMBASSY OF THE  
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
*Port-au-Prince, Haiti*

No. 32

*June 29, 1944.*

EXCELLENCY:

I have the honor to refer to President Lescot's memorandum dated April 6, 1942,<sup>[1]</sup> left by him with the Acting Secretary of State in Washington, and to Mr. Welles' reply of April 7,<sup>[2]</sup> relative to the initiation of a cooperative program of health and sanitation in Haiti. Your Excellency will recall that the United States Government, in contributing \$350,000 toward this program and subsequently making available an additional \$150,000, to be used for the anti-yaws aspect of it, was acting in accordance with Resolution XXX regarding health and sanitary conditions, adopted by the Third Meeting of the Ministers of Foreign Affairs of the American Republics at Rio in 1942.

I now have the honor to state that my Government is prepared, if Your Excellency's Government so desires, to make available, through the Institute of Inter-American Affairs, an additional sum of \$300,000 for the purpose of cooperating with the Government of Haiti in extending the aforementioned program of health and sanitation on the understanding that the Government of Haiti for its part will contribute the sum of \$150,000. This extension would terminate on October 1, 1947 in so far as the funds contributed by the United States are concerned.

The type of work and specific projects to be undertaken and the cost thereof and the methods and procedures to be employed in conducting the extended program are to be mutually agreed to by the appropriate official of the Government of Haiti and an appropriate official of The Institute of Inter-American Affairs.

The Government of the United States will<sup>1</sup> continue to furnish such experts as are considered necessary in order to collaborate with Your Excellency's Government in extending the health and sanitation program.

All projects and property acquired in connection with the program shall be the property of the Government of Haiti.

<sup>1</sup> [Not printed.]

<sup>2</sup> [Executive Agreement Series 425; 58 Stat. 1439.]

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

I shall be glad if Your Excellency will be so good as to confirm to me your approval of this general proposal with the understanding that the details of the program will be a subject of further discussion and agreement as provided for herein.

Accept, Excellency, the renewed assurance of my high consideration.

ORME WILSON

His Excellency

M. GÉRARD LESCOT,  
*Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs,*  
*Port-au-Prince.*

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*The Haitian Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs to the American  
Ambassador*

SECRETARIERIE D'ETAT  
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E. U. No. 3500

*Port-au-Prince, le 12 Juillet 1944*

MONSIEUR L'AMBASSADEUR,

J'ai l'honneur d'accuser réception de la note no. 32 du 29 juin écoulé, par laquelle Votre Excellence m'informe qu'en vue de continuer sa coopération avec le Gouvernement Haitien en ce qui a trait au programme de salubrité publique entrepris en Haiti depuis 1942, le Gouvernement des Etats-Unis d'Amérique est prêt à mettre à la disposition de la République d'Haiti une somme supplémentaire de \$ 300.000.- par l'intermédiaire de l'Institut des Affaires Inter-américaines.

Le Gouvernement Haitien est heureux d'accepter l'offre généreuse de celui des Etats-Unis et s'engage à verser, de son côté, une contribution de \$ 150.000.- en vue de l'extension dudit programme d'hygiène publique. Il ne manquera pas de veiller d'autre part à l'exécution de toutes les conditions prévues.

En priant Votre Excellence de bien vouloir exprimer à Son Gouvernement les sentiments de gratitude du Gouvernement Haitien pour ce nouveau témoignage de sa bienveillante amitié, je Vous renouvelle, Monsieur l'Ambassadeur, les assurances de ma très haute considération.

GERARD LESCOT

Son Excellence

Monsieur ORME WILSON,  
*Ambassadeur Extraordinaire*  
*& Plénipotentiaire des Etats-Unis d'Amérique*  
*Port-au-Prince.*

*Translation*

DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
FOR  
FOREIGN AFFAIRS

E. U. No. 3500

*Port-au-Prince, July 12, 1944*

MR. AMBASSADOR:

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of note no. 32, of June 29 last, in which Your Excellency informs me that with a view to continuing its cooperation with the Haitian Government in the public health program undertaken in Haiti since 1942, the Government of the United States of America is prepared to make available to the Republic of Haiti an additional sum of \$300,000 through the Institute of Inter-American Affairs.

The Haitian Government is happy to accept the generous offer of that of the United States and undertakes to make, on its part, a contribution of \$150,000 for the extension of the said public health program. It will not fail, moreover, to see to the execution of all the conditions prescribed.

Requesting Your Excellency to be good enough to express to your Government the sentiments of gratitude of the Haitian Government for this new testimony of its benevolent friendship, I renew to you, Mr. Ambassador, the assurances of my very high consideration.

GERARD LESCOT

His Excellency

ORME WILSON,

*Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary  
of the United States of America,  
Port-au-Prince.*

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