

September 28, 1961

**EXCHANGE OF NOTES CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN
THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES AND THE UNITED STATES
OF AMERICA RELATING TO THE LOAN OF A VESSEL TO THE
REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES**

Note: The Agreement entered into force, October 24, 1961.

Reference: This Agreement is also published in 433 UNTS, p. 83. The American Charge d' Affaires ad interim to the Philippine Secretary of Foreign Affairs

Manila, September 28, 1961

Excellency:

I have the honor to refer to conversations between representatives of our two Governments concerning the loan of vessels by the Government of the United States to the Government of the Republic of the Philippines and to confirm the following understandings reached between our Government on this subject.

1. The Government of the United States will lend to the Government of the Republic of the Philippines for the period set out below, the vessel identified in the Annex to this note.

2. The Government of the Republic of the Philippines will retain possession of, and will use, the vessel subject to the terms and conditions of this note, of the Agreement relating to military assistance between our two Governments effected by an exchange of notes signed at Manila on March 21, 1947, and of the Agreement between our two Governments effected by an exchange of notes signed on June 26, 1953, as said Agreement have been, or may be extended or amended.

3. The period of the loan for the vessel shall be five years from the date of its delivery to the Government of the Republic of the Philippines. The Government of the United States may, however, request the return of the vessel at an earlier date if such action is necessitated by its own defense requirements. In this event, the Government of the Republic of the Philippines will promptly return the vessel to the Government of the United States.

4. The vessel, together with its available on-board spares and allowances, including consumable stores and fuel, will be delivered to the Government of the Republic of the Philippines at such place and time as may be mutually agreed upon. The delivery shall be evidenced by a delivery certificate. The Government of the Republic of the Philippines shall have the use of all outfitting equipment, appliances, fuel, consumable stores, spares, and replacement parts on board the vessel at the time of its delivery.

5. Title to the vessel and to the items and appurtenances referred to in paragraph 4 of this note, except fuel, consumable stores, spares, and replacement parts, shall remain in the Government of the United States. The Government of the Republic of the Philippines may, however, place the vessel under its flag. The Government of the