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No. 3944. AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE POLISH PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC ON SETTLEMENT FOR LEND-LEASE AND CERTAIN CLAIMS. SIGNED AT WASHINGTON, ON 28 JUNE 1956

The Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Polish People's Republic have reached agreement as set forth below regarding settlement for lend-lease and for certain financial claims arising as a result of World War II. Both Governments, in arriving at this settlement, have taken full cognizance of the benefits already received by them in the defeat of their common enemies, and of the aid furnished by each Government to the other in the course of the war.

1. Definition

The term "lend-lease article" as used in this Agreement means any article transferred by the Government of the United States of America under the Act of March 11, 1941,

- (a) to the Government of Poland, or
- (b) to any other government and retransferred to the Government of Poland.

2. Lend-Lease

- (a) Transfer of Title. Except as otherwise provided in this paragraph 2, the Government of Poland receives full title to lend-lease articles in its possession.
- (b) Right of Recapture. The Government of the United States of America reserves the right of recapture of lend-lease articles held by the Government of Poland of types essentially or exclusively for use in war or warlike exercises, if any, but has indicated that it does not intend to exercise generally this right of recapture. The Government of Poland agrees that such articles held by it, if any, will be used only for purposes compatible with the principles of international security and welfare set forth in the Charter of the United Nations.
- (c) Waiver of Payment. Except as provided in this Agreement, the Government of Poland will make no further payment to the Government of the United States of America for lend-lease articles.

¹ Came into force on 28 June 1956, upon signature, in accordance with paragraph 6.