

HEALTH AND SANITATION PROGRAM

Exchange of notes at Washington February 24, 1942

Entered into force February 24, 1942

Supplemented by agreements of December 23, 1944, and January 15, 1945;¹ June 21, 1947;² August 6 and 18, 1948;³ July 26 and August 22, 1949;⁴ September 15, 1950;⁵ September 27, 1951;⁶ October 4 and 24, 1951;⁷ and March 18 and 31, 1952⁸

Extended by agreements of December 23, 1944, and January 15, 1945;¹ June 21, 1947;² August 6 and 18, 1948;³ July 26 and August 22, 1949;⁴ September 15, 1950;⁵ and March 17 and April 12, 1955⁹

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The Acting Secretary of State to the Ecuadorean Minister Counselor

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

WASHINGTON

February 24, 1942

MY DEAR DR. SALAZAR:

I refer to point 4 of the memorandum of January 29, 1942 which was delivered to the Government of Ecuador by the Government of the United States at Rio de Janeiro, committing my Government to assist the Government of Ecuador in an amount not to exceed \$2,000,000 to be expended in ways which will contribute to the attainment of the objectives of that Government in matters of health and sanitation.

In fulfilment of this commitment and in accordance with Resolution XXX of the Third Meeting of the Ministers of Foreign Affairs of the American

¹ EAS 473, *post*, p. 398.

² TIAS 1645, *post*, p. 415.

³ TIAS 2003, *post*, p. 443.

⁴ TIAS 2018, *post*, p. 456.

⁵ 1 UST 760; TIAS 2147.

⁶ 2 UST 2133; TIAS 2339.

⁷ 3 UST 584; TIAS 2419.

⁸ 3 UST 4023; TIAS 2542.

⁹ 6 UST 3049; TIAS 3352.

Republics at Rio de Janeiro,¹⁰ the Government of the United States, acting through the agency of the Coordinator of Inter-American Affairs, is sending, upon your request, a small group of experts to Ecuador in the immediate future in order to develop a specific program in agreement with the Government of Ecuador, acting through the agency of the Municipality of Quito and the Junta de Beneficencia of Guayaquil. This group will be under the immediate direction of the Chief Medical Officer of the Office of the Coordinator of Inter-American Affairs and will work in the closest cooperation with the appropriate Ecuadoran officials. Approval for the actual execution of the specific projects agreed upon will be made by the respective Governments or their duly appointed agents upon recommendation of the Chief Medical Officer, acting in cooperation with the appropriate officials of the Municipality of Quito or the Junta de Beneficencia of Guayaquil, or with appropriate officials designated by the Ecuadoran Government for such projects as might be undertaken outside of the municipal areas of Quito and Guayaquil. Expenditures for such projects shall be made upon certification of the Chief Medical Officer and the appropriate Ecuadoran official designated for the areas where projects will be executed.

The specific projects of interest to the Ecuadoran Government include:

1. *For Quito:*

1. Improvement of the sewage system.
2. Improvement of the waste disposal system for garbage and rubbish.
3. Expansion of a malaria control system near Quito.
4. Improvement of disease control by means of hospitals, clinics and educational measures.
5. General cooperation with the Ecuadoran Health Department.

2. *For Guayaquil:*

1. Improvement of the sewage system.
2. Improvement of the waste disposal system for garbage and rubbish.
3. Expansion of the malaria control system, including such extension of the Malecon river wall as may contribute to that objective.
4. Extension of the plague control system by means of rodent control along the Guayaquil and Quito Railroad.
5. Improvement of disease control by means of hospitals, clinics and educational measures.

3. In addition, in cooperation with the appropriate officials of the Ecuadoran Government, recommendations will be made by the Chief Medical Officer for such health and sanitation programs as might be executed outside the municipal areas of Quito and Guayaquil.

¹⁰ For text, see *Department of State Bulletin*, Feb. 7, 1942, p. 137.

These projects upon completion will of course become the sole property of the Ecuadoran Government. The United States Government will be prepared to facilitate such training of Ecuadoran personnel as the two Governments may deem advisable.

The Ecuadoran Government will, it is understood, be willing to provide, in accordance with its ability, such raw materials, services and funds as may be deemed necessary for the proper carrying out of the program.

Sincerely yours,

SUMNER WELLES
Acting Secretary

The Honorable
Señor Dr. EDUARDO SALAZAR,
*Minister Counselor of the
Ecuadoran Embassy.*

The Ecuadorean Minister Counselor to the Acting Secretary of State

EMBAJADA DEL ECUADOR
WASHINGTON

FEBRUARY 24, 1942

MY DEAR MR. WELLES:

I acknowledge the receipt of your letter of February 24, 1942, in which you set forth the specific measures by which the Government of the United States proposes to fulfill in the immediate future its commitment under point 4 of the memorandum of January 29, 1942 to contribute an amount not to exceed \$2,000,000 for expending in ways which will assist in the attainment of the objectives of my Government in matters of health and sanitation.

Under the authority granted to me by His Excellency the President of Ecuador, and His Excellency the Minister of Foreign Affairs in a telegram of February 11, 1942, it is my pleasure to inform you that the projects outlined in your letter, and the terms relating thereto, are entirely satisfactory to the Government of Ecuador. I wish to assure you at this time that, once the projects have been completed and thereby become the sole property and responsibility of the Government of Ecuador, adequate measures of maintenance for the projects will be taken in order that the resulting benefits may be preserved.

The Government of Ecuador further agrees, in accordance with Article 1 of Resolution XXX of the Third Meeting of the Ministers of Foreign Affairs of the American Republics at Rio de Janeiro, to provide, in accordance with its ability, raw materials, services, and funds for the projects agreed upon.

It is my further understanding that the salaries and expenses of the small group of experts mentioned in your letter will be paid for by the Office of the

Coordinator of Inter-American Affairs and will not be debited against project funds in the amount of \$2,000,000 as agreed upon.

Sincerely yours,

E. SALAZAR

The Honorable
SUMNER WELLES,
*Acting Secretary of State
of the United States of America,
Washington, D.C.*