The American Charge d'Affaires ad interim to the Minister of Finance of Turkey

No. 1751   ANKARA, December 19, 1969

EXCELLENCY:

I have the honor to refer to the Agricultural Commodities Agreement signed by representatives of our two Governments November 3, 1969, n1 and to propose it be amended as follows:

Part II - (A) In Item I, Commodity Table, change "150,000" to "500,000" and "$ 8.0" to "$ 26.0".

- (B) In Item V, Self-Help Measures, delete present language in entirety and substitute the following: "The United States Government recognizes that the Government of Turkey under its Five-Year Plan and Annual Programs, is seeking to:

1. Provide adequate fertilizers in appropriate technical proportions to achieve agricultural objectives. For 1970 the provisional supply targets in metric tons [*2] of nutrient are equal to nitrogen 378,000, phosphate 340,000 and potash 22,000. These totals include
the planned import of 490,000 tons of nitrogenous fertilizers of various types converted to 21 percent nutrient content basis for application on the 1969-70 winter and the 1970 spring wheat crops.

2. Review policies and procedures in the following agricultural areas -- government commodity management, with special reference to the purchase, storage and sale of grain; the relationship between market intervention agencies and the banking system; and pricing in the agricultural sector.

3. Review the procedures for collecting, analyzing and reporting data concerning agriculture with the aim of improving the accuracy, completeness and timeliness of agricultural statistics."

All other terms and conditions of the November 3, 1969, Agreement remain the same.

If the foregoing is acceptable to your Government, I propose that this note and your reply thereto constitute an Agreement between our two Governments effective the date of your note in reply.

Accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

The Minister of Finance of Turkey to the American Charge d'Affaires ad [3] interim

ANKARA, December 19, 1969

EXCELLENCY,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of Your Excellency's Note dated 19 December 1969 reading as follows:

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In reply to the above, I have the honour to inform Your Excellency that the above mentioned proposals are acceptable to the Government of the Republic of Turkey and that Your Excellency's letter and this reply shall be regarded as constituting an Agreement between our two Governments.

Accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

SIGNATORIES:
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His Excellency
MESUT EREZ,
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ON BEHALF OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF TURKEY
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