## GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES

Excellencies,

In consideration of the desire of the United States of America to cooperate closely with the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) under the ASEAN-United States Dialogue in undertaking a program to prevent and control narcotics and dangerous drug abuse, I have the honor to state that the United States hereby expresses its intent as follows:

- 1) To cooperate to the maximum extent possible in the area of education through public information, with programs designed to educate the public on the proper use of such drugs; to inform them about the medical, social and economic ill-effects of drug abuse; and to ensure public awareness and understanding of preventive education, rehabilitation and enforcement;
- To extend appropriate assistance, in accordance with applicable United States legislation and procedures, to ASEAN in improving rehabilitation services throughout the region;
- To work together for a proper program to reduce narcotics and dangerous drug supplies;
- 4) In addition, ASEAN and the United States will constantly seek new and more effective ways to increase their collaboration; they will also cooperate with the United Nations and support other multilateral programs to combat drug abuse;
- 5) In order to carry out the purposes of this understanding, the United States and ASEAN will cooperate in the design of appropriate programs and projects within the field of narcotics and dangerous drug control.

For purposes of the implementation of the projects evolving from this understanding, the Government of the United States shall be represented by the Embassies of the United States accredited to the member countries of ASEAN.

Further, this Note and the ASEAN Reply confirming the foregoing shall be considered as constituting an understanding which will become effective upon notification to the Government of the United States by ASEAN of their acceptance of this understanding and will remain in force until terminated by either the United States or ASEAN.

Accept, Excellencies, the assurances of my highest consideration.

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2 July 1979 Denpasar, Indonesia