

GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES

Excellencies,

In consideration of the mutual desire of the United States of America and the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) to pursue under the ASEAN-United States Dialogue a program of scholarships for ASEAN nationals funded by the United States at the Asian Institute of Technology (AIT) in Bangkok, particularly for training in advanced techniques of food production, energy conservation and in other courses relevant to the development of the ASEAN region, I have the honor to state that the United States hereby expresses its intent to support the aforementioned Program. The furnishing of such support will be subject to detailed arrangements and funding in accordance with United States foreign assistance legislation. The Program will have the following features:

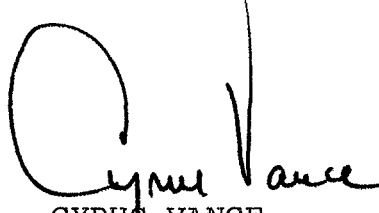
1. The United States will provide a grant to AIT in Bangkok which will receive the funds in behalf of ASEAN;
2. The Funds provided by the United States shall be used to cover the cost of studies for the students from ASEAN selected under the Project for the 20-month master's degree program;
3. The scholarships would be for candidates recommended by the various ASEAN
* governments from either the private, university, or government sector. The final selection for admission of nominees under the Program will be decided by AIT;

4. The subject of the masteral's thesis of any ASEAN scholar shall receive previous approval of his Government; the research would in most instances be carried out in the student's home country;
5. Scholarships funded under this Program will for the present be for studies in the Division of Agricultural and Food Engineering and the Division of Energy Technology at AIT.

For purposes of implementation of this understanding, including entering into detailed agreement with AIT, the Government of the United States shall be represented by the United States Agency for International Development.

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.



CYRUS VANCE
Secretary of State

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Denpasar, Indonesia