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**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
and
GREECE**

Exchange of notes constituting an agreement relating to jurisdiction over vessels utilizing the Louisiana Offshore Oil Port. Athens, 7 and 12 May 1982

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EXCHANGE OF NOTES CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE HELLENIC REPUBLIC RELATING TO JURISDICTION OVER VESSELS UTILIZING THE LOUISIANA OFFSHORE OIL PORT

I

*The American Embassy
to the Greek Ministry of Foreign Affairs*

EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

No. 125

The Embassy of the United States of America presents its compliments to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and has the honor to refer to the discussions which have taken place between representatives of our two Governments in connection with the establishment of deepwater ports off the coast of the United States and the jurisdictional requirements of the United States Deepwater Port Act of 1974, and to confirm that the two Governments are in agreement that vessels registered in or flying the flag of the Hellenic Republic and the personnel on board such vessels utilizing the Louisiana offshore oil port (Loop, Inc.), a Deepwater Port facility established under the Deepwater Port Act of 1974 for the purposes stated therein, shall, whenever they may be present within the safety zone of such Deepwater Port, be subject to the jurisdiction of the United States and the Hellenic Republic on the same basis as when in coastal ports of the United States.

It is the understanding of the Government of the United States and the Government of the Hellenic Republic that this agreement shall not apply to vessels registered in or flying the flag of the Hellenic Republic merely passing through the safety zone of the Louisiana Offshore Oil Port without calling at or otherwise utilizing the port. If the foregoing is acceptable to your Government, we have the honor to propose that this note, together with your reply thereto, shall constitute an agreement between our two Governments, to enter into force upon the receipt of your reply to that effect, and to remain in force until terminated by six months' written notice by either party to the other.

¹ Came into force on 12 May 1982, the date of the note in reply, in accordance with the provisions of the said notes.

The Embassy of the United States of America avails itself of its opportunity to renew to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs the assurances of its highest consideration.

Embassy of the United States of America

Athens, May 7, 1982

II

*The Greek Ministry of Foreign Affairs
to the American Embassy*

MINISTÈRE DES AFFAIRES ÉTRANGÈRES

No. 4444.85/4/AS 330

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs presents its compliments to the Embassy of the United States of America and has the honor to acknowledge receipt of the Embassy's Note No 125 dated May 7, 1982 the terms of which are as follows:

[See note I]

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs has the honor to state that the Greek Government agrees to this arrangement and will regard your note and this reply as constituting an agreement between our respective Governments on these matters .

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Embassy of the United States of America the assurances of its highest consideration.-

Athens, May 12, 1982

Embassy of the United States of America
En Ville
