

# **Military Assistance Agreement Between the United States and Yugoslavia, November 14, 1951**

The Governments of the United States of America and the Federal People's Republic of Yugoslavia;

Desiring to foster international peace and security within the framework of the Charter of the United Nations through measures which will further the ability of nations dedicated to the purposes and principles of the Charter to participate effectively in arrangements for individual and collective self-defense in support of those purposes and principles;

Reaffirming their determination to give their full cooperation to the efforts to provide the United Nations with armed forces as contemplated by the Charter and to obtain agreement on universal regulation and reduction of armaments under adequate guaranty against violations;

Taking into consideration the support that the Government of the United States of America has brought to these principles by enacting the Mutual Defense Assistance Act of 1949, as amended, and the Mutual Security Act of 1951, which provide for the furnishing of military assistance to certain nations;

Desiring to set forth the conditions which will govern the furnishing of such assistance;

Have agreed as follows:

## **Article I**

1. The Government of the United States of America will make or continue to make available to the Government of the Federal People's Republic of Yugoslavia equipment, materials, services, or other assistance in accordance with such terms and conditions as may be agreed. The furnishing of such assistance shall be consistent with the Charter of the United Nations. Such assistance will be furnished under the provisions, and subject to all of the terms, conditions and termination provisions, of the Mutual Defense Assistance Act of 1949 and the Mutual Security Act of 1951, acts amendatory and supplementary thereto and appropriation acts thereunder. The two Governments will, from time to time, negotiate detailed arrangements necessary to carry out the provisions of this paragraph.

2. The Government of the Federal People's Republic of Yugoslavia will use the assistance exclusively in furtherance of the purposes of the Charter the United Nations for the promotion of international peace and security and for strengthening the defenses of the Federal People's Republic of Yugoslavia against aggression.

3. The Government of the Federal People's Republic of Yugoslavia undertakes not to transfer to any person not an officer or agent of that Government, or to any other nation, title to or possession of any equipment, materials, information, or services, received on a grant basis, without the prior consent of the Government of the United States of America.

4. The Government of the Federal People's Republic of Yugoslavia will provide the United States of America with reciprocal assistance by continuing to facilitate the production and transfer to the United States of America in such quantities and upon such terms and conditions as may be agreed on, of raw and semi-processed materials required by the United States of America as a result of deficiencies or potential deficiencies in its own resources, and which may be available in Yugoslavia. Arrangements for such transfers shall give due regard to requirements of Yugoslavia for domestic use and commercial export.

## **Article II**

1. Each Government will take appropriate measures consistent with security to keep the public informed of operations under this: Agreement.

2. Each Government will take such security measures as may be agreed in each case between the two Governments in order to prevent the disclosure or compromise of classified military articles, services or information furnished pursuant to this Agreement.

## **Article III**

The two Governments will, upon request of either of them, negotiate appropriate arrangements between them respecting responsibility for patent or similar claims based on the use of devices, processes, technological information or other forms of property protected by law in connection with equipment, materials or services furnished pursuant to this Agreement. In such negotiations consideration shall be given to the inclusion of an undertaking whereby each Government will assume the responsibility for all such claims of its nationals and such claims arising in its jurisdiction of nationals of any country not a party to this Agreement.

## **Article IV**

1. The Government of the Federal People's Republic of Yugoslavia undertakes to make available to the Government of the United States of America diners for the use of the latter Government for its administrative and operating expenditures in connection with carrying out this Agreement. The two Governments will forthwith initiate discussions with a view to determining the amount of such diners and to agreeing upon arrangements for the furnishing of such diners.

2. The Government of the Federal People's Republic of Yugoslavia will, except as otherwise agreed to, grant duty free treatment and exemption from taxation upon importation or exportation to products, property, materials or equipment imported into or exported from its territory in connection with this Agreement or any similar Agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the government of any other country receiving military assistance.

## **Article V**

The Government of the Federal People's Republic of Yugoslavia agrees to receive personnel of the Government of the United States of America who will discharge in its territory the responsibilities of the Government of the United States of America under this Agreement and who will be accorded facilities to observe the progress of the assistance

furnished pursuant to this Agreement. It is understood between the two Governments that the number of such personnel will be kept as low as possible. Such personnel who are United States nationals, including personnel temporarily assigned, will, in their relations with the Government of the Federal People's Republic of Yugoslavia, operate as a part of the Embassy of the United States of America under the direction and control of the Chief of the Diplomatic Mission, and will have the same status as that of other personnel with corresponding rank of the Embassy of the United States of America who are United States nationals. Upon appropriate notification by the Government of the United States of America full diplomatic status will be granted to an agreed number of the personnel assigned thereto.

## **Article VI**

1. The Government of the Federal People's Republic of Yugoslavia reaffirms that it will continue to join in promoting international understanding and goodwill, and in maintaining world peace; to make, consistent with its political and economic stability, the full contribution permitted by its manpower, resources, facilities, and general economic condition to the development and maintenance of its own defensive strength and the defensive strength of the free world; and to take all reasonable measures which may be needed to develop its defense capacities.
2. The Government of the Federal People's Republic of Yugoslavia undertakes to take such action as may be mutually agreed upon to eliminate causes of international tension.
3. The Government of the Federal People's Republic of Yugoslavia agrees to take appropriate steps to insure the effective utilization of the economic and military assistance provided by the Government of the United States of America.

## **Article VII**

1. This Agreement shall enter into force on the date of signature and will continue in force until one year after the receipt by either Party of written notice of the intention of the other Party to terminate it, provided that the provisions of Article I, paragraphs 2 and 3, and arrangements entered into under Article II, paragraph 2, and under Article III, shall remain in force unless otherwise agreed bar the two Governments.
2. The Government of the United States of America reserves the right at any time to suspend its assistance to Yugoslavia made available pursuant to this Agreement, including deliveries of all supplies scheduled but not yet transferred.
3. The two Governments will, upon the request of either of them consult regarding any matter relating to the application of this Agreement or to operations or arrangements carried out pursuant to this Agreement.
4. The terms of this Agreement may at any time be reviewed at the request of either Government or amended by agreement between the two Governments
5. This Agreement shall be registered with the Secretary General of the United Nations.

Done at Belgrade, in duplicate in the English and Serbo-Croat languages, this fourteenth day of November, 1951.