

Dear Mr. Secretary:

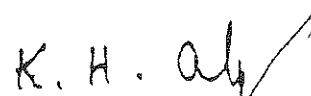
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Very truly yours,



Kamal Hassan Ali
Deputy Prime Minister and
Minister of Foreign Affairs

The Honorable Alexander M. Haig
Secretary of State

Cairo, Egypt

Jerusalem, July 17, 1981

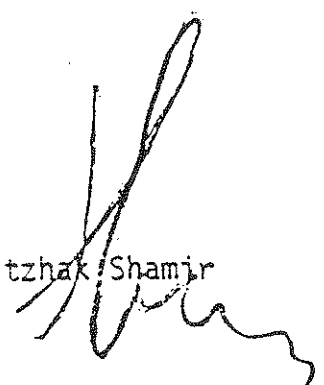
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Yitzhak Shamir

His Excellency

THE SECRETARY OF STATE

WASHINGTON

August 3, 1981

Dear Mr. Minister:

I wish to confirm the understandings concerning the United States' role reached in your negotiations on the establishment and maintenance of the Multinational Force and Observers:

1. The post of the Director-General will be held by U.S. nationals suggested by the United States.

2. Egypt and Israel will accept proposals made by the United States concerning the appointment of the Director-General, the appointment of the Commander, and the financial issues related to paragraphs 24-26 of the Annex to the Protocol, if no agreement is reached on any of these issues between the Parties. The United States will participate in deliberations concerning financial matters. In the event of differences of view between the parties over the composition of the MFO, the two sides will invite the U.S. to join them in resolving any issues.

3. Subject to Congressional authorization and appropriations:

A. The United States will contribute an infantry battalion and a logistics support unit from its armed forces and will provide a group of civilian observers to the MFO.

B. The United States will contribute one-third of the annual operating expenses of the MFO. The United States will be reimbursed by the MFO for the costs incurred in the change of station of U.S. Armed Forces provided to the MFO and for the costs incurred in providing civilian observers to the MFO. For the initial period

The Honorable
Yitzhak Shamir,
Foreign Minister,
Israel.

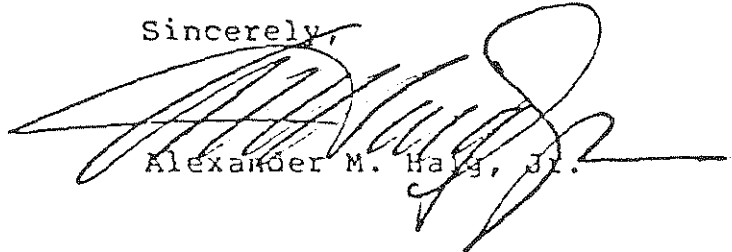
(July 1, 1981 - September 30, 1982) during which there will be exceptional costs connected with the establishment of the MFO, the United States agrees to provide three-fifths of the costs, subject to the same understanding concerning reimbursement.

C. The United States will use its best efforts to find acceptable replacements for contingents that withdraw from the MFO.

D. The United States remains prepared to take those steps necessary to ensure the maintenance of an acceptable MFO.

I wish to inform you that I sent today to the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Egypt an identical letter, and I propose that my letters and the replies thereto constitute an agreement among the three States.

Sincerely,

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A. Haig, Jr.', is written over the typed name below.

Alexander M. Haig, Jr.

EMBASSY OF THE
ARAB REPUBLIC OF
EGYPT

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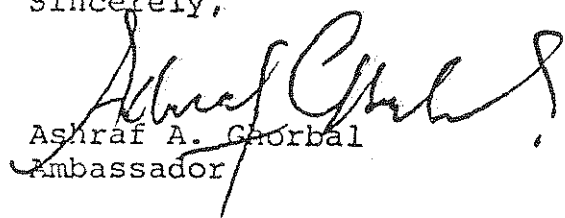
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The Honorable
Alexander M. Haig, Jr.
Secretary of State
Washington, D. C. 20520

Dear Mr. Secretary:

I am instructed on behalf of Foreign
Minister Ali to transmit the following
letter:

Sincerely,



Ashraf A. Ghorbal
Ambassador

Dear Mr. Secretary:

Egypt agrees to the contents of your
letter dated August 3, 1981, and wishes to
express its appreciation to the United
States for having helped the two countries
to reach this agreement.

Sincerely,

Kamal Hassan Ali
Deputy Prime Minister
Minister of Foreign Affairs

EMBASSY OF ISRAEL
WASHINGTON, D.C.

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3 August 1981

Dear Mr. Secretary,

I have been asked by Foreign Minister Shamir to transmit to you the following message:

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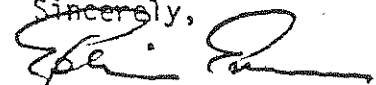
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Foreign Minister"

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Alexander M. Haig, Jr.
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Washington, D.C.

Sincerely,



Ephraim Evron
Ambassador



Multinational Force and Observers

Post Office Box 11258
Alexandria, Virginia 22312
(703) 642-8300

March 15, 1982

Dear Mr. Minister:

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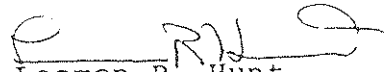
His Excellency
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Minister of Foreign Affairs,
Jerusalem, Israel.

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Please accept the assurance of my highest consideration.

Sincerely yours,

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Leamon R. Hunt
Director General



Multinational Force and Observers

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Leamon R. Hunt
Director General

MINISTRY FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS
JERUSALEM



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DIRECTOR GENERAL

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15 March 1982

Dear Mr. Hunt,

This is in reply to your letter of 15 March 1982.

I hereby confirm that the Government of Israel considers the statement set forth in your letter to be entirely accurate.

Yours sincerely,

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David Kimche

Mr. Leamon R. Hunt
Director General
Multinational Force and Observers



MINISTRY
OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

Cairo, 29 March, 1982.

Dear Mr. Director General,

This is in reply to your letter of March 15, 1982.

I hereby confirm that the Government of Egypt considers the Statement set forth in your letter to be entirely accurate.

Sincerely,

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KAMAL HASSAN ALI
DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND
MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

MR. LEAMON R. HUNT
DIRECTOR GENERAL
MULTINATIONAL FORCE AND OBSERVERS.



MINISTRY
OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

Cairo, 29 March, 1982.

Explanatory Note

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With respect to the Egyptian Government's response to the Director General's letter of March 15, 1982, the Government of Egypt defines the phrase "concerning the presence of the Multinational Force and Observers in their territories" to mean in the territories of Egypt and Israel, in accordance with the provisions of the Peace Treaty and its annexes.

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KAMAL HASSAN ALI
DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND
MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS.



August 1985

Dear Mr. Minister:

I have the honor to refer to the agreement effected by an exchange of letters dated 18 and 19 March, 1982, on the participation of New Zealand in the Multinational Force and Observers (MFO), as subsequently extended in 1984, and related understandings, and to recent discussions I have had in Wellington with New Zealand officials about the terms of continuation of this valued participation.

Based on those discussions, a plan has been developed for support by New Zealand of MFO projects through the provision of specialist teams and detachments which will serially serve with the Force for shorter periods than heretofore. We are particularly pleased at the evolution of this form of participation, which meets the needs of both New Zealand and the MFO in contemplating flexible, specialized response to varied functional requirements of the MFO.

I therefore have the honor of proposing that the participation of New Zealand in the Rotary-Wing Aviation Unit (RWAU), as described in Annex I to the 1982 agreement referred to hereinabove, shall cease on or before 31 March 1986 in accordance with transitional plans to be mutually developed in cooperation with the other present and future RWAU participants, and that New Zealand's contribution thereafter be governed by the Annex to this Note which I propose be

The Rt Hon David R. Lange, MP,
Minister of Foreign Affairs,
Parliament Building,
Wellington, New Zealand

substituted for and entirely replace Annex I of the 1982 Note with effect as of 31 March 1986.

In all other respects, the provisions of the 1982 agreement and related understandings shall continue to govern New Zealand's participation mutatis mutandis in the period after 31 March 1986. However, references in paragraphs 4 and 5 of Annex II of that agreement to "the helicopters" or "helicopters" shall be amended to read "any major items of equipment"; and further, paragraph 6 of Annex II shall be deleted in its entirety, and subsequent paragraphs renumbered accordingly.

If this is agreeable to your Government, I propose that this Note and its Annex, together with your affirmative reply, shall together constitute an agreement effective on the date of your reply.

This Agreement shall continue in force for a period of two years from 31 March 1986, and remain in force thereafter unless New Zealand shall give written notice of twelve months of its intention to withdraw from the agreed mission described in the Annex to this Note or from the Organization, or until such time as the Governments of Egypt and Israel may mutually agree to terminate the mandate of the Organization.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank the Government of New Zealand, on behalf of the those now participating in and sponsoring the MFO, for the valuable continuation of New Zealand's participation on this basis. Please accept the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

Peter D. Constable

Annex I

Composition and Mission of the New Zealand Contingent

1. The Government of New Zealand shall provide to the MFO a contingent comprising a Headquarters element, and specialist team elements as described below.
2. The Headquarters element will comprise the Contingent Commander, whose rank is not to exceed that of Lieutenant Colonel or service equivalent, and an administrative non-commissioned officer. The Headquarters element will provide command of all New Zealand personnel serving with the MFO. Further, this element will be, within the MFO, the liaison center for the formulation of project requests by the MFO to the Government of New Zealand, and the coordination and implementation of projects undertaken by the New Zealand specialist teams. The tour of duty with the Headquarters element will generally be for twelve months, unaccompanied.
3. The specialist team element will undertake short-term projects and activities, such as training and advisory missions and engineering projects, as may be mutually agreed from time to time. The size and composition of each team to perform agreed missions will be determined by the Government of New Zealand in consultation with the MFO. Teams will generally be provided on a basis of three such teams every twelve months, and, with the exception of the first team, the duration of the duty period shall be approximately one to three months. The first specialist team, a twelve man Training and Advisory Team, will undertake the design, development and implementation of training programs for MFO ground forces, during a six month tour of duty.
4. The Contingent Commander will undertake a mutually agreed appointment on the Force Commander's staff. The status of other New Zealand staff members after 31 March 1986 shall be coordinated between the MFO and the Government of New Zealand.
5. Subject to mutual agreement, the MFO shall provide appropriate work and storage space and required specialist and support equipment, shall be responsible for providing all logistic support, and shall provide maintenance beyond contingent capability of contributed specialist and support equipment owned by the New Zealand Contingent, and any MFO-furnished equipment used by the Contingent.
6. The Headquarters element, and the first specialist team shall be fully deployed by 1 May 1986.
7. Members of the New Zealand contingent may be armed with their normally assigned individual weapons.
8. The mission of the New Zealand contingent as described herein may not be changed without the mutual agreement of the Government of New Zealand and the MFO.