cc: Enc Gagnan



26 January 1999

Mr Reinhart Helmke
Executive Director
United Nations Office for Project Services
United Nations
New York

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to the Memorandum of Agreement between the United Nations Office for Project Services and the Government of New Zealand concluded in New York on 6 May 1998 ("the Agreement"), and to the preceding Memorandum of Agreement concluded in New York on 2 September 1997. I have the further honour to refer to recent discussions concerning the extension of New Zealand's commitment to the National Institute for the Removal of Obstacles and Explosive Ordnance ("INAROE").

I have the honour to propose that the Agreement be renewed on identical terms, with the exception of Article II paragraph 1, which shall read as follows:

"1. This Agreement shall remain in force until the withdrawal of all New Zealand CMATS Instructors from INAROE."

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If the above proposal is acceptable to the United Nations Office for Project Services, I have the honour to propose that this Letter and your reply to that effect shall constitute an Agreement between the Government of New Zealand and the United Nations Office for Project Services, renewing the Agreement of 6 May 1998 between the United Nations Office for Project Services and the Government of New Zealand. The renewed Agreement shall enter into force on the date of your reply.

Accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Michael Powles

Ambassador and Permanent Representative of New Zealand to the United Nations

Executive Director



8 February, 1999

Your Excellency,

Thank you for your letter dated 26 January 1999, referring to the Memorandum of Agreement between the Government of New Zealand and the United Nations Office for Project Services, and to the extension of your Government's support to the Angolan National Institute for the Removal of Obstacles and Explosive Ordnance (INAROEE).

We appreciate your generous offer to maintain your current support to the INAROE and are in full agreement with the proposed text of the amendment to the above-mentioned Memorandum of Agreement.

We therefore understand that, with this reply, the Agreement of 6 May 1998 between the Government of New Zealand and the United Nations Office for Project Services is modified accordingly and is considered renewed as of this date.

We shall keep you informed of new developments in the implementation of this programme and will look forward to our continued cooperation.

Please accept our sincere gratitude for your interest for and your support to our operations.

Yours Sincerely,

Mr. Michael Powles Amabassador and Permanent Representative of New Zealand to the United Nations One United Nations Plaza, 25th Floor New York, NY 10017



The Executive Director



16 March, 1999

Sir.

The present refers to our letter dated 08 February 1999, confirming the extension of the Memorandum of Agreement between the Government of New Zealand and the United Nations Office for Project Services, in support of the Angolan National Institute for the Removal of Obstacles and Explosive Ordnance (INAROEE).

We also refer to a verbal communication from Capt. Jack Steer, Military Attache at your Mission, in early March 1999, regarding any claim from the New Zealand Technical Advisors currently deployed in Angola for the period between the end of the previous Agreement between your Government and UNOPS and the entry into force of the current extension of that same Agreement.

We hereby wish to confirm with you that, for any claim during the period in reference made by the Technical Advisors covered by the Agreement, the terms and conditions of the original Agreement shall apply.

Again, we assure you of our appreciation of your Government's support to the INAROEE. With the recent review of the programme and the upcoming preparation of the extension of the UNDP project, the INAROEE is indeed at a turning point in its history. The input of the international donor community, and more specifically that of your Government, shall prove crucial in ensuring that the institution will gain in both maturity and expertise out the difficult circumstances currently prevailing in Angola.

Accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Yours Sincerely, Reinhart Helmke RB NEW ZEALAND MISSION TO NM yH UNITED NATIONS FK MAR 1 8 1999 MW WB MP NEW YORK, N.Y. SC RT DW DA

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