

TELECOMMUNICATION

Radio Transmissions Facilities

**Agreement Between the
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
and SAO TOME AND PRINCIPE**

Extending the Agreement of May 22, 1992

As extended and amended

Signed at Sao Tome June 18, 2022

Entered into force June 18, 2022



NOTE BY THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Pursuant to Public Law 89—497, approved July 8, 1966
(80 Stat. 271; 1 U.S.C. 113)—

“ . . .the Treaties and Other International Acts Series issued under the authority of the Secretary of State shall be competent evidence . . . of the treaties, international agreements other than treaties, and proclamations by the President of such treaties and international agreements other than treaties, as the case may be, therein contained, in all the courts of law and equity and of maritime jurisdiction, and in all the tribunals and public offices of the United States, and of the several States, without any further proof or authentication thereof.”

**AGREEMENT TO EXTEND AND AMEND THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE
GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
AND THE
GOVERNMENT OF THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF SÃO TOMÉ AND PRÍNCIPE
FOR THE OPERATION OF RADIO TRANSMISSION FACILITIES**

The Government of the United States of America (hereinafter referred to as the “United States”) and the Government of the Democratic Republic of São Tomé and Príncipe (hereinafter referred to as “São Tomé and Príncipe”) (collectively referred to as the “Parties” and individually as a “Party”),

RECOGNIZING that the initial term of the Agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Democratic Republic of São Tomé and Príncipe for the Operation of Radio Transmission Facilities, signed at São Tomé on May 22, 1992, with addendum (hereinafter referred to as the “1992 Agreement”), is by its terms set to expire on June 21, 2022;

RECALLING that pursuant to Article XVIII(C) of the 1992 Agreement, the United States notified São Tomé and Príncipe by Diplomatic Note No. 122/21 dated May 20, 2021, of its interest in exploring a ten-year extension to the initial term of the 1992 Agreement;

ACKNOWLEDGING that subsequent negotiations between the Parties have yet to result in the conclusion of an agreement providing for such an extension; and

DESIRING NONETHELESS the continuation of operations at the relay station established on São Tomé pursuant to the 1992 Agreement, while further negotiations proceed;

NOW, THEREFORE, have agreed to the following:

1. Pursuant to Article XVIII(C) of the 1992 Agreement, the term of the 1992 Agreement shall be extended by one (1) year, through June 21, 2023.
2. The following language shall be inserted after Article XVI(G):

“H. During the thirty-first year that this Agreement is in effect, the United States shall pay São Tomé and Príncipe the total sum of \$ 1,000,000.00 - USD
ONE million and 00/100 USD -”). This payment shall be made within sixty (60) calendar days of June 21, 2022.”

3. The following language shall be inserted at the end of Article XVI:

“In the event this Agreement is terminated after June 21, 2022 pursuant to Article XVIII(B), the United States’ payment obligation for the year during which such termination occurs shall be prorated by mutual determination of the Parties, and the final payment shall be made on a date to be determined in a written exchange between the Parties.”




4. Except as expressly provided for herein, all other terms and conditions of the 1992 Agreement shall remain unchanged.
5. This Agreement shall enter into force upon signature by the Parties with effect from June 21, 2022.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, being duly authorized by their respective Governments, have signed this Agreement.

DONE in São Tomé, June 18, 2022, in duplicate, in the English and Portuguese languages, each text being equally authentic.

FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA:



Charles A. Shepparo


FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE
DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF SÃO
TOMÉ AND PRÍNCIPE:



Engenheiro S. S. Graca
