PROTOCOL ON THE EXERCISE OF CRIMINAL JURISDICTION OVER UNITED NATIONS FORCES IN JAPAN

Whereas the Protocol to amend article XVII, pertaining to the exercise of criminal jurisdiction over the United States forces in Japan, of the Administrative Agreement between the Governments of Japan and the United States of America is to come into force on October 29, 1953; and

Whereas the Government of Japan is ready to meet the desire of the Governments concerned for similar provisions governing the exercise of criminal jurisdiction over their United Nations forces in Japan;

Therefore, the Parties to this Protocol have agreed as follows:-

1. The exercise of criminal jurisdiction (including disciplinary jurisdiction) over the United Nations forces in Japan shall be governed by the provisions set forth in the annex to this Protocol.

The provisions set forth in the annex shall be integrated into a general agreement regarding the status of the United Nations forces in Japan when such agreement is concluded.

2. This Protocol shall be signed by the Governments of Japan, the United States of America acting as the Unified Command, and any State which has sent forces to Korea pursuant to the United Nations Security Council resolutions of June 25, June 27 and July 7, 1950, and the United Nations General Assembly resolution of February 1, 1951, and shall come into force on October 29, 1953, with respect to these signatory States.

After the first coming into force of this Protocol, it shall be open, subject to the consent of the Government of Japan, for signature by the Government of any other State which has sent or may hereafter send forces to Korea pursuant to the aforesaid resolutions, and it shall come into force with respect to such sending State as of the date of its signature unless otherwise agreed.

In witness whereof the representatives of the Governments of the Parties hereto, duly authorized for the purpose, have signed this Protocol.

Done in Tokyo this 26th day of October 1953, in the Japanese and English languages, both texts being equally authoritative, in a single copy, which shall be deposited in the Archives of the Government of Japan. Certified copies shall be transmitted by that Government to each of the signatory Governments.

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