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May 2, 1957

Dear Mr. Vallance:

I wish to acknowledge your letter of April 11, in which you express the desire of the Inter-American Bar Association to enter into a formal relationship with the Organization of American States.

In reply, I am happy to inform you that, pursuant to authorization given me by the Council of the Organization at its meeting of June 16, 1954, I am empowered to enter into general cooperative relations with worthwhile nongovernmental organizations, whose purposes are in harmony with those of the OAS. Such relations convey certain privileges to the Organization involved, namely those of receiving the publications of the Pan American Union, submitting its views in writing on matters of common interest, and participating in certain meetings of the Council and its organs, when invited to do so for the purpose of discussing a given topic. More detailed information regarding this type of relationship may be found in the attached pamphlet, and especially on pages 29 and 35 (paragraphs marked).

In view of the close cooperation that has long existed between the Inter-American Bar Association and the OAS, to which you have quite properly referred, it gives me great pleasure to take any step that will tend to strengthen that collaboration. Therefore, you may consider that the present letter completes the

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Dear Dr. Lora:

Reference is made to our recent discussions regarding the desirability of further cooperation between the Organization of American States and the Inter-American Bar Association. You will recall that since its organization at Washington on May 18, 1940, there has been good cooperation between these institutions and it has resulted in nine successful Conferences and other activities on the part of this Association.

In a view to developing a better understanding regarding our future activities, I shall be grateful if you will be good enough to take the necessary steps to establish a formal relationship between the two organizations.

As you know, our Tenth Conference will be held in Buenos Aires, November 14 to 24, 1957. We hope that these arrangements can be completed and that we shall have participation by one or more representatives from the O.A.S. in that Conference.

Assuring you of my appreciation of your interest in our activities and my high regard for the important work in which you are engaged, I am

Sincerely yours,

William Roy Vallance
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