NINE POINT AGREEMENT WITH HYDARI, THE GOVERNOR OF ASSAM

Preamble: That the right of the Nagas to develop according to their freely expressed wishes is recognised.

1. **Judicial:** All cases whether Civil or Criminal arising between Nagas in the Naga Hills be disposed of by duly constituted Naga court according to Naga customary law, or such law as may be introduced with the consent of duly recognised representative organisations, save that where a sentence of transportation and death has been passed there will be a right to appeal to the Governor.

In cases arising between Nagas and Non-Nagas in (a) Kohima and Mokokchung town areas (b) in the neighbouring plains districts the judge, if not a Naga, will be assisted by a Naga assessor.

2. **Executive:** The general principle is accepted that what the NHC will pay for it will control. This principle will apply equally to the work done as well as the staff employed while the district officer will be appointed at the discretion of the Governor, sub-divisional council with a full-time Executive president,
paid by the NNC would be responsible to the District Officer for all matters falling within the latters responsibility and the NNC for all matters falling within their responsibility. In regard to (a) Agriculture: The NNC will exercise all the powers now vested in the District officer, (b) C.W.D. The NNC will take over full control; (c) Education and Forest: The NNC is prepared to pay for all services and staffs.

3. **Legislature:** That no laws passed by the provi­sional or central Legislature which would materially affect the terms of this agreement or the religious practices of the Nagas shall have legal force in the Naga Hill without the consent of NNC.

In case of dispute as to whether any law did so effect this agreement the matter would be referred by the NNC to the Governor who would then direct that the law in question should not have legal force in the Naga Hills pending the decision of the central Government.

**Land:** That land with all its resources in the Naga Hills should not be alienated to a non-Naga without the consent of the NNC.
5. **Taxation:** That the Naga National Council will be responsible for imposition, collection and expenditure of land revenue and house tax and of such other taxes as may be imposed by the NNC.

6. **Boundaries:** That the present administration division should be modified so as -

   (i) to bring into the Naga Hills district all the forests transferred to Sibsagar and Nowgong Districts in the past and

   (ii) to bring under one unified administrative unit as far as possible all Nagas. All the areas so included will be within the scope of the present proposed agreement.

No areas should be transferred out of the Naga Hills without the consent of the NNC.

7. **Arms Act:** The District officer will act on the advice of the National Council in accordance with the provisions of the Arms Act.

8. **Regulations:** The Chin Hill Regulation and Bengal Eastern Frontier Regulation will remain in force.
9. **Period of Agreement:** The Governor of Assam as the agent of the Government of Indian Union will have a special responsibility for a period of ten years to ensure the due observance of this agreement; at the end of this period, the Naga National Council will be asked whether they require the above agreement to be extended for a further period, or a new agreement regarding the future of the Naga people arrived at.
TEXT OF THE SHILLONG ACCORD

1. The following representatives of the underground organisations met the Governor of Nagaland, Shri L.P. Singh, representing the Government of India at Shillong on 10th and 11th Nov. 1975.


2. There was a series of four discussions. Some of the discussions were held with the Governor alone, at others, the Governor was assisted by the two advisers for Nagaland Shri M. Ramunny and H. Zopianga, and Shri. M. L. Kampani Jt. Secretary in the Ministry of Home Affairs. All the members of the Liaison Committee namely Rev. Longri, Ao, Dr. M. Aram, Shri L. Lungalang, Shri Kenneth, Kerhew and Shri Lungshim Shaiza, Participated in the discussion.

3. The following were the outcome of the discussion:

   (i) The representatives of the underground organisations conveyed their decision of their own violation, to accept without condition, the constitution of India.

   (ii) It was agreed that the arms now underground, would be brought out and deposited at appropriate
places. Details for giving effect to this agreement will be worked out between them and representative of the Government, the security forces, and members of the liaison Committee.

(iii) It was agreed that representative of underground organisation should have reasonable time to formulate other issue for discussion for final settlement.

Dated, Shillong

November 11, 1975.