

Letters exchanged between the Federal Republic of Germany and the Czech Republic (11 December 1973)

Caption: The signing of the Prague Treaty by the Federal Republic of Germany and Czechoslovakia on 11 December 1973 is accompanied by an exchange of letters between the two countries' Foreign Ministers.

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Exchange of Letters on the Extension of Articles II and V of the Treaty to Berlin (West)

Mr. Minister,

On behalf of the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany I have the honour to confirm the agreement reached in the negotiations that the validity of Article II of the Treaty signed today on Mutual Relations between the Federal Republic of Germany and the Czechoslovak Socialist Republic shall, consistent with the Quadripartite Agreement of 3 September 1971, be extended to Berlin (West) in accordance with established procedures.

The Federal Republic of Germany and the Czechoslovak Socialist Republic propose to agree in each individual case on the extension to Berlin (West), consistent with the Quadripartite Agreement of 3 September 1971, of treaties arising out of the implementation of the provisions of Article V of the present Treaty, in accordance with established procedures.

I would ask you to confirm your agreement to the above.

Accept, Mr. Minister, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Walter Scheel

Mr. Bohuslav Chnoupek, Eng.,
Minister of Foreign Affairs
of the Czechoslovak Socialist Republic

Mr. Minister,

On behalf of the Government of the Czechoslovak Socialist Republic I have the honour to confirm receipt of your letter of today's date, which reads as follows:

“On behalf of the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany I have the honour to confirm the agreement reached in the negotiations that the validity of Article II of the Treaty signed today on Mutual Relations between the Federal Republic of Germany and the Czechoslovak Socialist Republic shall, consistent with the Quadripartite Agreement of 3 September 1971, be extended to Berlin (West) in accordance with established procedures.

“The Federal Republic of Germany and the Czechoslovak Socialist Republic propose to agree in each individual case on the extension to Berlin (West), consistent with the Quadripartite Agreement of 3 September 1971, of treaties arising out of the implementation of the provisions of Article V of the present Treaty, in accordance with established procedures.

“I would ask you to confirm your agreement to the above.”

The Government of the Czechoslovak Socialist Republic agrees to the above.

Accept, Mr. Minister, the assurances of my highest consideration.

B. Chnoupek

Herr Walter Scheel,
Minister for Foreign Affairs
of the Federal Republic of Germany