special rules and regulations for such personnel; and (2) that the Secretary of Agriculture may, within the limitation of such rules and regulations, prescribe necessary implementing directions. The Secretary of Agriculture may designate employees of the Department of Agriculture to make specific determinations and take specific actions in the application of such rules and regulations to the activities of the Department of Agriculture.

SEC. 3. Such provisions in annual appropriation acts of the Department of State, including such acts hereafter enacted, facilitating the work of the Foreign Service of the United States as the Director of the Office of Management and Budget shall from time to time determine appropriate shall be applicable to activities authorized under Title VI of the said act of August 28, 1954 [this chapter].

This order shall be effective as of September 1, 1954.

#### § 1763. Transferred

### **Editorial Notes**

#### CODIFICATION

Section, act Aug. 28, 1954, ch. 1041, title VI,  $\S603$ , 68 Stat. 909, which related to allowances and benefits, was renumbered section 606D of act Aug. 28, 1954, by Pub. L. 95–501, title IV,  $\S401(3)$ , Oct. 21, 1978, 92 Stat. 1691, and transferred to section 1766c of this title.

### § 1764. Reports and dispatches

# (a) Availability to Department of State and interested Government agencies

The reports and dispatches prepared by the officers appointed or assigned under this subchapter shall be made available to the Department of State, and may be made available to other interested agencies of the Government, and the agricultural reports and dispatches and related information produced by officers of the Foreign Service shall be available to the Secretary of Agriculture.

# (b) Office space, equipment, and administrative and clerical services

The Secretary of State is authorized upon request of the Secretary of Agriculture to provide office space, equipment, facilities, and such other administrative and clerical services as may be required for the personnel affected by this subchapter. The Secretary of Agriculture is authorized to reimburse or advance funds to the Secretary of State for such services.

## (c) Agency services, personnel, and facilities

Upon the request of the Secretary of Agriculture, each Federal agency may make its services, personnel, and facilities available to officers and employees appointed and assigned to a post abroad under this subchapter in the performance of the functions of such officers and employees. The Secretary of Agriculture may reimburse or advance funds to any such agency for services, personnel, and facilities so made available.

(Aug. 28, 1954, ch. 1041, title VI, §604, 68 Stat. 909; Pub. L. 95-501, title III, §301(4), (6), Oct. 21, 1978, 92 Stat. 1688.)

## **Editorial Notes**

# AMENDMENTS

1978—Subsecs. (a), (b). Pub. L. 95-501, §301(4), substituted "this subchapter" for "this chapter".

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 95-501, §301(6), added subsec. (c).

# § 1765. Foreign service appropriations; applicability

Provisions in annual appropriation Acts of the Department of State facilitating the work of the Foreign Service of the United States shall be applicable under rules and regulations prescribed by the President or his designee to activities pursuant to this subchapter.

(Aug. 28, 1954, ch. 1041, title VI, §605, 68 Stat. 909; Pub. L. 95–501, title III, §301(4), Oct. 21, 1978, 92 Stat. 1688.)

#### **Editorial Notes**

AMENDMENTS

 $1978\mathrm{-Pub}.$  L. 95–501 substituted "this subchapter" for "this chapter".

SUBCHAPTER II—UNITED STATES AGRICULTURAL TRADE OFFICES

## § 1765a. Agricultural Trade Offices

### (a) Establishment

For the purpose of developing, maintaining, and expanding international markets for United States agricultural commodities, the Secretary of Agriculture, after consultation with the Secretary of State, shall establish not less than six nor more than twenty-five United States Agricultural Trade Offices in other nations.

#### (b) Administration

each¹ United States Agricultural Trade Office shall be directed and administered by an Agricultural Trade Officer who by reason of training, experience, and attainments is qualified to carry out the purposes of this subchapter. Such Officer shall be appointed by the Secretary of Agriculture.

## (c) Appointment and compensation of officers

Each Agricultural Trade Officer may be appointed without regard to the provisions of title 5 governing appointments in the competitive service, and may be paid without regard to the provisions of chapter 51 and subchapter III of chapter 53 of title 5 relating to classification and General Schedule pay rates, except that no Agricultural Trade Officer (1) may be paid basic pay at a rate in excess of the maximum annual rate of basic pay payable for GS-17 of the General Schedule under section 5332 of such title, or (2) may be paid at a rate in excess of the highest rate paid to an Agricultural Counselor or Attaché, as the case may be, who is appointed under subchapter I of this chapter to the nation in which such Officer is to serve.

# (d) Transmittal of information

Each Agricultural Trade Officer shall, through the Agricultural Counselor or Attaché or other senior representative of the Secretary of Agriculture in each nation in which the United States Agricultural Trade Office administered by such Officer exercises its functions, keep the Chief of the United States diplomatic mission fully and currently informed with respect to all activities and operations of such Office.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> So in original. Probably should be capitalized.