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Exchange of Notes

between the Government of the
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
and the Government of the United States of America
concerning the Operation of the Weather
Station on Betio Island

Washington, September 26, 1961

*Presented to Parliament by the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs
by Command of Her Majesty
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No. 1

*The United States Secretary of State to Her Majesty's Ambassador
at Washington*

Department of State,

Excellency :

Washington, D.C., September 26, 1961.

I have the honor to refer to recent discussions between representatives of the Governments of the United States of America and of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland concerning the weather station constructed and operated by the United States Government on Betio Island in the Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony pursuant to the agreement concluded by the exchange of notes at Washington on November 15, 1955⁽¹⁾, as renewed by the exchange of notes of January 20, 1958⁽²⁾.

I now have the honor to propose that, subject to administrative arrangements to be concluded between the appropriate authorities of the two Governments, the United States Government be authorized to maintain the station until December 31, 1964, and to re-open it at any time before, and resume operation of it until, that date for the purposes and under the conditions set forth in the agreement of November 15, 1955.

If this proposal is acceptable to the Government of the United Kingdom, I have the honor to suggest that this note and your reply to that effect should be regarded as constituting an agreement between the two Governments in this matter which shall enter into force on the date of Your Excellency's reply and terminate on December 31, 1964.

Accept, &c.

For the Secretary of State :

WILLIAM R. TYLER,

*Acting Assistant Secretary for
European Affairs.*

(1) "Treaty Series No. 5 (1956)", Cmd. 9693.

(2) "Treaty Series No. 10 (1958)", Cmnd. 391.

No. 2

*Her Majesty's Ambassador at Washington to the United States
Secretary of State*

British Embassy,

Sir,

Washington, D.C., September 26, 1961.

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your Note of the 26th of September, 1961 which reads as follows :

[As in No. 1]

In reply, I have the honour to inform you that the foregoing proposal is acceptable to the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, who therefore agree that your Note together with this reply shall be regarded as constituting an agreement between the two Governments in this matter which shall enter into force on this day's date and terminate on the 31st of December, 1964.

I avail, &c.

HAROLD CACCIA.

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