



Treaty Series No. 54 (1972)

Exchange of Notes

between the Government of the
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
and the Government of the Kingdom of Denmark

suspending part of the Agreement for
Co-operation in the Peaceful Uses of
Atomic Energy

Copenhagen, 1 March 1972

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by the Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs
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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 KINGDOM
OF DENMARK SUSPENDING PART OF THE AGREEMENT
FOR CO-OPERATION IN THE PEACEFUL USES OF
ATOMIC ENERGY**

No. 1

*Her Majesty's Ambassador at Copenhagen to the Minister for Foreign
Affairs of Denmark*

*British Embassy,
Copenhagen.*

1 March 1972.

Your Excellency,

I have the honour to refer to the Exchange of Notes dated 20 May 1960⁽¹⁾ constituting an Agreement between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Kingdom of Denmark regarding co-operation in the promotion and development of the peaceful uses of atomic energy (hereinafter referred to as "the Agreement for Co-operation") and to the further Exchange of Notes dated 6 May 1970⁽²⁾ extending the validity of the Agreement for Co-operation for a further five years.

The Exchange of Notes dated 6 May 1970 drew attention to the obligations of the two Governments under the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons.⁽³⁾ Since then the Government of Denmark has concluded an Agreement with the International Atomic Energy Agency in accordance with the obligations of the Kingdom of Denmark in connection with Article III paragraph 1 of the Treaty. The two Governments, together with the International Atomic Energy Agency, have also concluded a Protocol⁽⁴⁾ suspending the trilateral Agreement between them dated 23 June 1965⁽⁵⁾ which provided for the application of Agency safeguards in relation to the Agreement for Co-operation.

In the light of these developments, and of consultations which have taken place between our two Governments, I have the honour to propose that Paragraphs (1)(b), (1)(c), (1)(d), (1)(e) and (2)(b) of the Agreement for Co-operation shall be suspended for such time as safeguards are applied in accordance with the obligations of the Kingdom of Denmark in connection with Article III of the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons.

⁽¹⁾ Treaty Series No. 46 (1960), Cmnd. 1127.

⁽²⁾ Treaty Series No. 55 (1970), Cmnd. 4406.

⁽³⁾ Treaty Series No. 88 (1970), Cmnd. 4474.

⁽⁴⁾ Treaty Series No. 53 (1972), Cmnd. 4973.

⁽⁵⁾ Treaty Series No. 70 (1965), Cmnd. 2753.

I have the honour further to propose that the Government of Denmark should undertake to consult the Government of the United Kingdom before exercising its right to use any nuclear material for military purposes not proscribed by the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons. The purpose of such consultations would be to satisfy the Government of the United Kingdom of continued compliance by the Government of Denmark with the provisions of paragraphs (1)(a) and (2)(a) of the Agreement for Co-operation.

If the above proposals are acceptable to the Government of Denmark I have the honour to propose that this Note, together with Your Excellency's reply to that effect, shall be regarded as constituting an agreement between the two Governments which shall enter into force on the date of Your Excellency's reply.

I avail myself of this opportunity to renew to Your Excellency the assurances of my highest consideration

A. A. STARK

No. 2

The Minister for Foreign Affairs of Denmark to Her Majesty's Ambassador at Copenhagen

*Ministry of Foreign Affairs,
Copenhagen,*

Your Excellency,

March 1, 1972.

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of Your Excellency's Note of March 1, 1972, which reads as follows:

[As in No.1]

In reply I have the honour to state that the above proposals are acceptable to the Government of the Kingdom of Denmark and that the Government of the Kingdom of Denmark agrees that Your Excellency's Note and this reply shall be regarded as constituting an Agreement between the two Governments on this subject to be effective on this day's date.

I avail myself of this opportunity to renew to Your Excellency the assurances of my highest consideration.

K. B. ANDERSEN