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# Exchange of Notes

between the Government of the United Kingdom  
and the Austrian Government

providing for the continued application  
of the Convention of 31st March, 1931  
regarding Legal Proceedings in Civil  
and Commercial Matters

[ with Annex ]

Vienna, 28th June, 1951

*Presented by the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs to Parliament  
by Command of His Majesty  
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UNITED KINGDOM AND THE AUSTRIAN GOVERNMENT  
PROVIDING FOR THE CONTINUED APPLICATION OF THE  
CONVENTION OF 31st MARCH, 1931, REGARDING LEGAL  
PROCEEDINGS IN CIVIL AND COMMERCIAL MATTERS**

*Vienna, 28th June, 1951*

No. 1

*His Majesty's Minister at Vienna to the  
Austrian Minister for Foreign Affairs*

*British Legation,  
Vienna, 28th June, 1951.*

Your Excellency,

I have the honour to address your Excellency on the subject of the Convention between His Majesty, in respect of the United Kingdom, and the Federal President of the Republic of Austria, regarding Legal Proceedings in Civil and Commercial Matters, signed at London on 31st March, 1931<sup>(1)</sup>, the respective Instruments of Ratification of which were exchanged at Vienna on 12th January, 1932.

Under instructions from His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, I have the honour to propose to your Excellency that effect shall be given to the Convention as from the date of this Exchange of Notes, and that the Convention shall continue in force in accordance with the provisions of Article 13.

I have the honour further to propose that as from the date of this Exchange of Notes the Convention shall also apply to Scotland, Northern Ireland, the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man and to the territories named in the Annex to this Note.

If the Austrian Government are prepared to accept the above proposals, I have the honour to suggest that the present Note and your Excellency's reply to that effect should be regarded as constituting the agreement between the two Governments which shall take effect this day, the 28th June, of 1951.

I have, &c.

**HAROLD CACCIA.**

**ANNEX**

Southern Rhodesia  
Aden (Colony and Protectorate)  
Bahamas  
Barbados  
Basutoland  
Bechuanaland Protectorate  
Bermuda  
British Gujana  
British Honduras  
Brunei

<sup>(1)</sup> "Treaty Series No. 4 (1932)," Cmd. 4007.

- Cyprus
- Falkland Islands and Dependencies
- Federation of Malaya
- Fiji
- Gambia (Colony and Protectorate)
- Gibraltar
- Gold Coast (including Ashanti, the Northern Territories and Togoland under United Kingdom Trusteeship)
- Hong Kong
- Jamaica (including Turks and Caicos Islands and Cayman Islands)
- Kenya (Colony and Protectorate)
- Leeward Islands
- Malta
- Mauritius
- Nigeria (Colony, Protectorate and Cameroons under United Kingdom Trusteeship)
- North Borneo
- Northern Rhodesia
- Nyasaland Protectorate
- St. Helena and Dependencies
- Sarawak
- Seychelles
- Sierra Leone (Colony and Protectorate)
- Singapore
- Somaliland Protectorate
- Swaziland
- Tanganyika
- Tonga
- Trinidad and Tobago
- Uganda Protectorate
- Western Pacific Islands (British Solomon Islands Protectorate and Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony)
- Windward Islands (Grenada, St. Lucia, St. Vincent and Dominica)
- Zanzibar Protectorate

No. 2

*The Austrian Minister for Foreign Affairs to  
His Majesty's Minister at Vienna*

Herr Gesandter,

*Wien, den 28. Juni 1951.*

Ich beehre mich den Empfang Ihrer Note vom 28. Juni 1951 zu bestätigen, welche wie folgt lautet:

[As in No. 1]

Ich beehre mich, Sie davon in Kenntnis zu setzen, dass die österreichische Bundesregierung die vorstehenden Vorschläge annimmt und zustimmt, dass in Ihrer Note und dieser Antwortnote das Zustandekommen einer Übereinstimmung zwischen den beiden Regierungen zu erblicken ist, die mit dem heutigen Tage wirksam wird.

Genehmigen Sie, &c.

GRUBER.

ANNEX

[As in Annex to No. 1]

Translation of No. 2

Mr. Minister,

Vienna, 28th June, 1951.

I have the honour to confirm the receipt of your Note of 28th June, 1951, which reads as follows:—

[As in No. 1]

I have the honour to inform you that the Austrian Federal Government accept the above proposals and agree that your Note and the present reply should be regarded as constituting an agreement between the two Governments which shall take effect this day.

Accept, &c.

GRUBER.

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