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Exchange of Notes

between the Government of the
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
and the Austrian Federal Government

prolonging the Sterling Payments Agreement
of the 31st of January, 1951

Vienna, November 27/December 28, 1953

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

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

British Embassy,

Herr Bundesminister,

Vienna, 27th November, 1953.

I have the honour, upon instructions from Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, to propose that the Sterling Payments Agreement between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Austrian Federal Government of the 31st of January, 1951,⁽¹⁾ which was reviewed last year in accordance with Article 9, shall continue in force so long as bilateral balances between the United Kingdom and Austria are settled through the European Payments Union, unless the Agreement is terminated at some earlier date by notice in accordance with Article 9 thereof.

If the Austrian Federal Government agree to this proposal, I have the honour to suggest that the present Note and your reply in that sense shall be regarded as constituting an Agreement between the two Governments.

I have, &c.

H. A. CACCIA.

No. 2

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

*Der Bundesminister für die
Auswärtigen Angelegenheiten,*

Herr Botschafter!

Wien, am 28. Dezember 1953.

Ich beehre mich, Ihre Note zu bestätigen, die den folgenden Wortlaut hat:

[As in No. 1.]

Ich bin ermächtigt, Ihnen mitzuteilen, dass die Österreichische Bundesregierung mit dem in der obigen Note enthaltenen Vorschlag einverstanden ist und unser Notenwechsel als Übereinkommen zwischen der Österreichischen Bundesregierung und der Regierung des Vereinigten Königreiches von Grossbritannien und Nordirland anzusehen ist.

Genehmigen Sie, u.s.w.

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(1) "Treaty Series No. 19 (1951)," Cmd. 8175.

(Translation of No. 2)

Mr. Ambassador,

I have the honour to confirm receipt of your Note which reads as follows:—

[As in No. 1.]

I am authorised to inform you that the Austrian Federal Government is in agreement with the proposals contained in the above Note and that our Exchange of Notes shall be regarded as an Agreement between the Austrian Federal Government and the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

Accept, &c.
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