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Exchange of Notes

between the Government of the
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
on their own behalf and on behalf of the Government of the
Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland and the Government
of the United States of America amending the

Agreement of the 18th of July, 1951, regarding
the development of the Rhodesia Railways

London, September 30/October 21, 1954

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EXCHANGE OF NOTES BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND ON THEIR OWN BEHALF AND ON BEHALF OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE FEDERATION OF RHODESIA AND NYASALAND AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AMENDING THE AGREEMENT OF THE 18th OF JULY, 1951, REGARDING THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE RHODESIA RAILWAYS

London, September 30/October 21, 1954

No. 1

The Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs to the United States Ambassador at London

Foreign Office, S.W. 1,

Your Excellency,

September 30, 1954.

I have the honour to invite reference to the Agreement between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, acting on their own behalf and on behalf of the Governments of Southern and Northern Rhodesia, and the Government of the United States of America relative to the development of the Rhodesia Railways which was signed at London on the 18th of July, 1951.⁽¹⁾

Paragraph 1 (a) of Article 5 of the said Agreement provided that during the period of three years from the date of the Agreement the Government of Southern Rhodesia should make certain arrangements for the supply of a calculated amount of coal from the Wankie Collieries to the copper mines located in Northern Rhodesia.

As the result of negotiations which have recently taken place between representatives of the Government of the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland, as the successor to the Government of Southern Rhodesia for this purpose, and the General Services Administration of the United States Government an understanding has been reached that the above-mentioned provision of Article 5 shall continue in force for a further period of three years from the 18th of July, 1954.

I now wish to inform your Excellency that Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom have taken note of and concurred in the communication which the High Commissioner of the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland in London has to-day addressed to the Director of the London Field Office of the Emergency Procurement Service on this subject and of which a copy is enclosed and I have the honour to suggest that, if the United States Government agree, this note (read in conjunction with the High Commissioner's letter) and your Excellency's reply to this effect should be held to amend the Agreement of the 18th of July, 1951, accordingly.

I have, &c.

(For the Secretary of State),
P. T. HAYMAN.

⁽¹⁾ "Treaty Series No. 92 (1951)," Cmd. 8396.

Enclosure to No. 1

*The High Commissioner for the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland to
the Director of the London Field Office of the Emergency
Procurement Service*

*Rhodesia House, London, W.C. 2,
30th September, 1954.*

Sir,

I write with reference to the Agreement, which was signed at London on the 18th July, 1951, between the Government of the United Kingdom (on their behalf and on behalf of the Governments of Southern Rhodesia and Northern Rhodesia) and the Government of the United States of America, relative to the development of the Rhodesia Railways. My Government, as the successor to the Government of Southern Rhodesia for this purpose, is in agreement with the understanding that you and I have recently reached in correspondence that Article 5 of the said Agreement should continue in force for a further period of three years from 18th July, 1954.

I have been informed by the United Kingdom Government that they concur in the proposed extension of Article 5 and that a note to this effect is being addressed on behalf of that Government to the United States Ambassador.

The effect of the extension now agreed upon is that paragraph 1 (a) of Article 5 of the Agreement is amended by substituting therein the words and figures "until the 18th July, 1957" for the words "during the period of three years from the date of this Agreement".

I am, &c.
G. M. RENNIE.

No. 2

*The United States Ambassador at London to the Secretary of State for
Foreign Affairs*

*Embassy of the
United States of America,
October 21, 1954.*

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your note dated September 30, 1954.

Having taken note of the communication from the High Commissioner of the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland in London which is mentioned in your Excellency's note, and having concurred therein and in your Excellency's note, I have the honor to inform your Excellency that the United States Government agree that your Excellency's note (read in conjunction with the High Commissioner's letter) and this note should be held to amend the Agreement of the 18th of July, 1951, accordingly.

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