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# Exchange of Notes

between the Government of the  
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland  
and the Government of Italy  
concerning the practice of the medical profession by  
Italian and British doctors in the United Kingdom  
and Italy respectively

London, June 11-12, 1957

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by Command of Her Majesty  
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**EXCHANGE OF NOTES BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND AND THE GOVERNMENT OF ITALY CONCERNING THE PRACTICE OF THE MEDICAL PROFESSION BY ITALIAN AND BRITISH DOCTORS IN THE UNITED KINGDOM AND ITALY RESPECTIVELY**

*London, June 11-12, 1957*

No. 1

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

*Italian Embassy,*

Sir,

*London, 11th June, 1957.*

I have the honour to refer to the recent discussions between representatives of the Government of the Italian Republic and Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland concerning the practice of the medical profession by Italian and British doctors in the United Kingdom and Italy respectively. As the result of these discussions I now have the honour to propose, upon instructions from my Government, an arrangement in the following terms:—

- (a) A citizen of the Republic of Italy who has taken a degree in Medicine at a university in the United Kingdom may (subject to compliance with the procedure, and production of the documents, required under the regulations in force in the United Kingdom) be inscribed in the register of medical practitioners and may consequently practise the medical profession in the United Kingdom, the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man or in any Colony (other than Southern Rhodesia) for whose international relations Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom are responsible, under the same conditions as a citizen of the United Kingdom and Colonies so qualified.
- (b) A citizen of the United Kingdom and Colonies who has taken a degree in Medicine at an Italian university and who has passed the prescribed State examination may (subject to compliance with the procedure, and production of the documents, required under the regulations in force in Italy) practise the medical profession in Italy under the same conditions as a citizen of the Republic of Italy so qualified.
- (c) The right of an individual to practise as aforesaid shall, however, be subject in every case to the prior agreement of the Authorities responsible for the control of foreign nationals in the territory in which the right is to be exercised.

If this proposal is acceptable to Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom, I have the honour to suggest that the present Note and your reply to that effect shall be regarded as constituting an agreement between the two Governments which shall enter into force immediately and shall remain in force indefinitely or until six months from the date upon which either Government shall have given written notice to the other of its termination.

Please accept, &c.

V. ZOPPI.

No. 2

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

*Foreign Office, S.W. 1.*

Your Excellency.

*June 12, 1957.*

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your Excellency's Note of the 11th of June which reads as follows:—

[As in No. 1]

In reply I have the honour to inform your Excellency that the foregoing proposal is acceptable to Her Majesty's Government who therefore agree with your suggestion that your Note and the present reply shall be regarded as constituting an agreement between the two Governments in this matter which shall enter into force immediately and shall remain in force indefinitely or until six months from the date upon which either Government shall have given written notice to the other of its termination.

I have, &c.  
(For the Secretary of State)

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