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Exchange of Notes

between the Government of the
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
and the Government of Solomon Islands
constituting the Overseas Service Aid
(Solomon Islands) Agreement 1982

Honiara, 29 December 1981/25 May 1982

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**EXCHANGE OF NOTES
BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM
OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND AND THE
GOVERNMENT OF SOLOMON ISLANDS CONSTITUTING
THE OVERSEAS SERVICE AID (SOLOMON ISLANDS)
AGREEMENT 1982**

No. 1

*The United Kingdom High Commissioner at Honiara to the
Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Finance, of Solomon Islands*

British High Commission

Honiara

093/26

29 December 1981

Sir

I refer to the Solomon Islands (Overseas Service) (Continuance) Agreement 1978/81⁽¹⁾ and write to propose that that Agreement be terminated and replaced by the following:

1. The Government of the United Kingdom shall make the reimbursements and payments as specified in this Agreement to or in respect of officers in the Public Service of the Government of Solomon Islands who are designated by the Government of the United Kingdom in accordance with this Agreement (such officers being hereinafter referred to as "designated officers").
2. The Government of the United Kingdom shall on behalf of the Government of Solomon Islands pay direct to each designated officer:
 - (a) any salary supplement for which such officer may be eligible at such rate as may be specified from time to time by the Government of the United Kingdom;
 - (b) any education allowance for which such officer may be eligible in respect of any child under such terms and conditions and at such rates as may be specified from time to time by the Government of the United Kingdom;
 - (c) any appointment grant for which such officer may be eligible on such terms and conditions and at such rates as may be specified from time to time by the Government of the United Kingdom;
 - (d) any special allowance at such rate as may be specified from time to time by the Government of the United Kingdom.
3. The Government of the United Kingdom shall meet the cost of holiday passages for the children of a designated officer to enable them to visit their parents in Solomon Islands on such terms and conditions and

(1) Not published.

occasions in respect of such children and at such rates and by such classes of accommodation as may be specified from time to time by the Government of the United Kingdom.

4. Payments by the Government of the United Kingdom in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 2 of this Agreement shall be made into an account at a bank outside Solomon Islands nominated by the designated officer and situated in the United Kingdom or the Republic of Ireland or such other country as may be agreed by the Government of the United Kingdom.

5. The Government of the United Kingdom shall reimburse the Government of Solomon Islands the amount paid by the Government of Solomon Islands in providing passages for designated officers and their dependent families on such occasions (not being occasions referred to in paragraph 3 above) as the Government of Solomon Islands may with the prior concurrence of the Government of the United Kingdom, prescribe. Passages for designated officers and their dependent families shall be, where available, by British carriers and where practicable, by excursion flights or other cheaper rate tariff.

6. The allowances and grant paid directly by the Government of the United Kingdom to a designated officer in respect of duties performed by him as an officer in the Public Service of the Government of Solomon Islands shall be exempt from the payment of income tax under any law in force in Solomon Islands.

7. An officer may be designated generally or for such period as may be specified in the designation; and the designation may provide that an officer shall cease to be designated on the happening of a specified event or at the discretion of the Government of the United Kingdom provided that the Government of the United Kingdom in the exercise of the discretion to terminate the designation of an officer shall take into account the consequences that would follow if designation were to be terminated.

8. In the event of a designated officer being seconded from the employment of the Government of Solomon Islands without the concurrence of the Government of the United Kingdom, the Government of Solomon Islands shall, if requested to do so by the Government of the United Kingdom, pay the Government of the United Kingdom a sum equal to the total cost of the reimbursements and payments made by the Government of the United Kingdom in respect of that officer while so seconded.

9. Whenever the Government of Solomon Islands desires to renew the contract of a designated officer or to recruit an officer who may be eligible for designation, the Government of Solomon Islands shall consult the Government of the United Kingdom and that Government shall inform the Government of Solomon Islands whether or not the officer's designation may be continued, or the officer redesignated or designated, as the case may be, in accordance with this Agreement.

10. The Government of Solomon Islands shall provide the Government of the United Kingdom with such information as that Government may require in connection with the operation of this Agreement.

11. The Government of Solomon Islands shall provide each designated officer, within a reasonable time of his taking up employment with that Government, with accommodation and basic furnishings in good condition and agreed with the Government of the United Kingdom to be suitable to the rank and family circumstances of the officer at a rent reasonable in relation to his basic salary.

12. The Government of Solomon Islands shall promptly inform the Government of the United Kingdom of any event which might affect the eligibility of a designated officer under this Agreement to receive payments from the Government of the United Kingdom.

13. The Government of the United Kingdom and the Government of Solomon Islands shall hold periodic reviews of the requirements that the Government of Solomon Islands may have as regards the employment of designated officers in its service, so that the Government of the United Kingdom may determine the classes and numbers of officers whom the Government of the United Kingdom is prepared to designate. During such reviews the Government of Solomon Islands shall provide the Government of the United Kingdom with such information as that Government may require in order to calculate the amounts payable by that Government and the number of officers to be designated.

14. This Agreement shall terminate, unless some other date is agreed between the Government of the United Kingdom and the Government of Solomon Islands, on 31 March 1986.

15. If these proposals are acceptable to the Government of Solomon Islands, I suggest that this Note and your reply in that sense shall constitute an Agreement between our two Governments which shall enter into force on the date of your reply, and which shall be cited as the Overseas Service Aid (Solomon Islands) Agreement 1982.

G. J. A. SLATER
High Commissioner

No. 2

*The Permanent Secretary (Ag), Ministry of Foreign Affairs and
International Trade, of Solomon Islands to the
United Kingdom High Commissioner at Honiara*

*Ministry of Foreign Affairs and
International Trade*

Honiara

25 May 1982

975/4/2

Your Excellency,

Overseas Service Aid (Solomon Islands) Agreement, 1982

I acknowledge receipt of your Note of 29 December 1981 which reads as follows:—

[As in No. 1]

2. I hereby inform you that the foregoing proposals are acceptable to the Government of Solomon Islands who therefore agree that your Note and this reply shall constitute an Agreement between the two Governments which shall enter into force today and which shall be cited as the Overseas Service Aid (Solomon Islands) Agreement 1982.

Yours faithfully

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