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Exchange of Notes amending the Headquarters Agreement

between the Government of the
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
and the International Grains Council
(previously known as the International Wheat Council)

London, 22 October and 10 November 1997

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Presented to Parliament
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EXCHANGE OF NOTES AMENDING THE HEADQUARTERS AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND AND THE INTERNATIONAL GRAINS COUNCIL (PREVIOUSLY KNOWN AS THE INTERNATIONAL WHEAT COUNCIL)

No. 1

The Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs to the Executive Director of the International Grains Council

Foreign and Commonwealth Office, London 22 October 1997

I have the honour to refer to the Agreement between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the International Grains Council (previously known as the International Wheat Council) regarding the Headquarters of the Council, signed at London on 28 November 1968¹ (hereinafter referred to as "the Agreement").

- 2. I now have the honour to propose the following amendments to the Agreement:
- (a) In Article 1(2) delete "The International Wheat Council" and replace with "The International Grains Council".
- (b) In Article 2 delete "The International Wheat Council" and replace with "The International Grains Council".
- (c) In Articles 3, 5, 8, 15, 17, 20, 21, 24, 26 and 27 delete the words "Executive Secretary" and replace with "Executive Director".
- (d) Insert after Article 8(2) as follows:
- "(3) The Organisation shall be accorded a refund of Insurance Premium Tax and Air Passenger Duty paid by the Organisation in the exercise of its official activities."
 - (e) In Article 20(2) delete "Executive Secretaries" and replace with "Executive Directors".
- 3. If the foregoing proposals are acceptable to the International Grains Council, I have the honour to propose that this Note, together with your reply in that sense, shall constitute an Agreement between the Government of the United Kingdom² and Northern Ireland and the International Grains Council which shall enter into force on the date on which the United Kingdom legislation giving effect to the amendment comes into force.

R S GORHAM (for the Secretary of State)

¹Treaty Series No. 14 (1969) Cmnd 3882

²The words "of Great Britain" were omitted from the original United Kingdom note in error.

The Executive Director of the International Grains Council to the Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs

London

10 November 1997

I have the honour to refer to your Note of 22 October 1997 which reads as follows:

[As in No. 1]

I have the honour to inform you that the foregoing proposal is acceptable to the International Grains Council, who therefore agree that the Note and the present reply shall constitute an Agreement between the Council and your Government which shall enter into force on the date on which the United Kingdom legislation giving effect to the amendments comes into force.

I have the honour to convey to you Sir the assurance of my highest consideration.

G DENIS

