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Exchange of Notes

between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Republic of Finland

concerning the Extension of the European Convention on Extradition to Certain Dependent Territories

Helsinki, 6 May 1996 and 5 July 1996

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EXCHANGE OF NOTES BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE

UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF FINLAND CONCERNING THE EXTENSION OF THE EUROPEAN CONVENTION ON EXTRADITION TO CERTAIN DEPENDENT TERRITORIES

(No. 1)

Her Majesty's Ambassador at Helsinki to the Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Finland

> British Embassy Helsinki 6 May 1996

Note No. 42/96

- 1. I have the honour to refer to the European Convention on Extradition, opened for signature by Members of the Council of Europe on 13 December 1957¹ and to propose that, in accordance with the provisions of Article 27(4), the application of the Convention shall extend to the territories listed in the Annex to this Note, being territories for whose international relations the United Kingdom is responsible.
- 2. The reservations to Articles 27 and 28 and the notification made by the United Kingdom upon ratification of the Convention shall not be applicable to the Convention as hereby extended.
- 3. The remaining reservations made by the United Kingdom shall be applicable in respect of the territories listed in the Annex to this Note, except that the provisions of Article 3, paragraph 3 shall only be applicable between the Republic of Finland and any such territory to which the application of the European Convention on the Suppression of Terrorism² has been extended.
- 4. A reference in the applicable reservations to the United Kingdom shall be read as including a reference to any territory listed in the Annex to this Note.
- 5. The reservations and declarations made by the Government of the Republic of Finland shall also be applicable to the Convention as hereby extended.
- 6. A request for extradition of an offender found in any of the territories listed in the Annex to this Note may be made to the Governor or other competent authority of that territory, who may take the decision himself or refer the matter to the Government of the United Kingdom for their decision.
- 7. If the foregoing proposal is acceptable to the Government of the Republic of Finland, this Note and your reply in the same sense shall constitute an Agreement between our two Governments, which shall enter into force on the date on which each of our two Governments has notified the other of the completion of their internal procedures necessary to give effect to it.
- 8. I avail myself of this opportunity to renew to Your Excellency the assurance of my highest consideration.

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ANNEX

Bermuda

British Antarctic Territory

British Indian Ocean Territory

British Virgin Islands

Cayman Islands

Falkland Islands

Gibraltar

Montserrat

St Helena and Dependencies

South Georgia and South Sandwich Islands

Turks and Caicos Islands

The Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Finland to Her Majesty's Ambassador at Helsinki

Helsinki 5 July 1996

Your Excellency,

I have the honour to refer to Your Excellency's Note No. 42/96 dated on 6 May 1996 which read as follows:

[As in No. 1]

In reply, I have the honour to confirm that the foregoing proposal is acceptable to the Government of the Republic of Finland and that Your Excellency's Note and this reply shall constitute an Agreement between our two Governments which shall enter into force on the date on which each of our two Governments has notified the other of the completion of their internal procedures necessary to give effect to it.

Accordingly, I wish to inform you that the internal procedure necessary to give effect to this agreement has been completed in Finland.

I avail myself of this opportunity to renew to Your Excellency the assurance of my highest consideration.

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