



Treaty Series No. 79 (1972)

Declarations

by the Government of the
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland,
in respect of the United Kingdom and certain
Overseas Territories,

prolonging the period of recognition or acceptance of the
competence of the European Commission of Human
Rights to receive individual petitions; and the period
of recognition as compulsory of the jurisdiction of
the European Court of Human Rights

Strasbourg, 12 January and 21 April 1972

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DECLARATIONS⁽¹⁾
**BY THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT
BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND, IN RESPECT OF THE
UNITED KINGDOM AND CERTAIN OVERSEAS TERRITORIES,
PROLONGING THE PERIOD OF RECOGNITION OR
ACCEPTANCE OF THE COMPETENCE OF THE EUROPEAN
COMMISSION OF HUMAN RIGHTS TO RECEIVE INDIVIDUAL
PETITIONS; AND THE PERIOD OF RECOGNITION AS
COMPULSORY OF THE JURISDICTION OF THE EUROPEAN
COURT OF HUMAN RIGHTS**

**Letters to the Secretary General of the Council of Europe from the
United Kingdom Permanent Representative**

Letter No. 1

*United Kingdom Permanent Representative
to the Council of Europe,
Strasbourg.*

Sir, 12 January, 1972.

I have the honour to refer to Mr. Boothby's letters dated the 14th of January 1966⁽²⁾ and the 11th of January 1969⁽³⁾ which respectively declared the recognition by the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, in respect of the United Kingdom, of the competence of the European Commission of Human Rights to receive petitions from persons, non-governmental organisations or groups of individuals, and prolonged, until the 13th of January 1972, the period of recognition or acceptance of the competence of the Commission in that respect.

On instructions from Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, I now have the honour to inform you that the Government of the United Kingdom hereby renew for the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland the declaration made in Mr. Boothby's letter of the 14th of January 1966, further prolonging the said period for a further two years, to end on the 13th of January 1974. Except in relation to the date of expiry of this period, the terms of the said declaration shall remain unaffected.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

D. J. B. ROBEY

⁽¹⁾ These declarations were made in accordance with Articles 25 and 46 of the Convention for the Protection of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms, signed at Rome on 4 November, 1950 (Treaty Series No. 71 (1953), Cmd. 8969).

⁽²⁾ Treaty Series No. 8 (1966), Cmnd. 2894.

⁽³⁾ Treaty Series No. 79 (1969), Cmnd. 4109.

Letter No. 2

*United Kingdom Permanent Representative
to the Council of Europe,
Strasbourg.*

Sir,

12 January, 1972.

I have the honour to refer to Mr. Boothby's letters dated the 14th of January 1966 and the 11th of January 1969 which respectively declared the recognition by the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, in respect of the United Kingdom, of the jurisdiction of the European Court of Human Rights, and prolonged, until the 13th of January 1972, the period of such recognition.

On instructions from Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, I now have the honour to inform you that the Government of the United Kingdom hereby renew for the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland the declaration made in Mr. Boothby's letter of the 14th of January 1966, further prolonging the said period for a further two years, to end on the 13th January 1974. Except in relation to the date of expiry of this period, the terms of the said declaration shall remain unaffected.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

D. J. B. ROBEY

Letter No. 3

*United Kingdom Permanent Representative
to the Council of Europe,
Strasbourg.*

Sir,

21 April, 1972.

1. I have the honour to refer to my letter dated the 12th of January, 1972 further renewing for the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland the declaration, made in Mr. Boothby's letter of the 14th of January 1966, of recognition of the competence of the European Commission of Human Rights to receive petitions from persons, non-governmental organisations or groups of individuals. I also have the honour to refer to Mr. Boothby's letter dated the 12th of September 1967,⁽⁴⁾ the 11th of January 1969 and the 27th of March 1969 containing respectively a declaration in respect of certain territories for the international relations of which the Government of the United Kingdom were responsible, and renewals thereof.

2. On instructions from Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, I now have the honour to inform you that the Government of the United Kingdom hereby renew in respect of the territories for the international relations of which they are responsible specified on the list annexed to this letter, the declaration made in

(4) Treaty Series No. 98 (1967), Cmnd. 3475.

Mr. Boothby's letter dated the 12th of September 1967, of acceptance of the competence of the Commission to receive petitions from persons, non-governmental organisations or groups of individuals, by further prolonging, in respect of the territories specified in that list, for the two years beginning on the 14th of January, 1972 and ending on the 13th of January, 1974, the period of acceptance of such competence. Except in relation to the date of expiry of this period, the terms of the declaration of 12 September 1967 shall remain unaffected.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

D. J. B. ROBEY

List of territories for the international relations of which the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland are responsible, in respect of which the declaration of acceptance of the competence of the European Commission of Human Rights to receive petitions from persons, non-governmental organisations or groups of individuals is further renewed :

Bailiwick of Guernsey
Bermuda
British Honduras
British Solomon Islands
British Virgin Islands
Cayman Islands
Falkland Islands
Gilbert and Ellice Islands
Gibraltar
Isle of Man
Montserrat
St. Helena
Seychelles
Turks and Caicos Islands

and also, at the request of the Governments of those territories, in respect of :

Dominica
St. Lucia

Letter No. 4

*United Kingdom Permanent Representative
to the Council of Europe,
Strasbourg.*

Sir,

21 April, 1972.

1. I have the honour to refer to my letter dated the 12th of January 1972, further renewing for the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland the declaration, made in Mr. Boothby's letter of the 14th of January 1966, of recognition of the jurisdiction of the European Court of Human Rights. I also have the honour to refer to Mr. Boothby's letter dated the 12th of September 1967, the 11th of January, 1969 and the 27th of March, 1969, containing respectively a declaration in respect of certain territories for the international relations of which the Government of the United Kingdom were responsible, and renewals thereof.

2. On instructions from Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, I now have the honour to inform you that the Government of the United Kingdom hereby renew, in respect of the territories for the international relations of which they are responsible specified in the list annexed to this letter, the declaration, made in Mr. Boothby's letter dated the 12th of September, 1967, of recognition of the jurisdiction of the European Court of Human Rights, further prolonging, in respect of the territories specified in that list, for two years beginning the 14th of January, 1972 and ending on the 13th of January, 1974, the period of recognition of such jurisdiction. Except in relation to the date of expiry of this period the terms of the declaration of 12 September 1967 shall remain unaffected.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

D. J. B. ROBEY

List of territories for the international relations of which the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland are responsible, in respect of which the declaration of acceptance of the jurisdiction of the European Court of Human Rights is further renewed :

Bailiwick of Guernsey
Bermuda
British Honduras
British Solomon Islands
British Virgin Islands
Cayman Islands
Falkland Islands
Gilbert and Ellice Islands
Gibraltar

Isle of Man

Montserrat

St. Helena

Seychelles

Turks and Caicos Islands

and also, at the request of the Governments of those territories, in respect of

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