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between the Governments of the United Kingdom of
Great Britain and Northern Ireland and New Zealand and the
Government of the Netherlands

terminating the Agreement of
August 21, 1939 regarding Documents of
Identity for Aircraft Personnel

The Hague, October 18, 1954, and April 14, 1955

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No. 1

*Her Majesty's Ambassador at The Hague to the Netherlands
Minister for Foreign Affairs*

British Embassy,

Your Excellency,

The Hague, October 18, 1954.

I have the honour to invite reference to the Agreement constituted by the Notes exchanged at The Hague on the 21st of August, 1939,⁽¹⁾ between the Royal Netherlands Government and Her Majesty's Governments in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, in the Commonwealth of Australia and in New Zealand, and the Government of India, regarding the acceptance of licences or certificates of competency of the operating personnel of aircraft employed on regular airlines in lieu of national passports.

In the view of Her Majesty's Governments in the United Kingdom and in New Zealand the arrangements set out in the above-mentioned Agreement have been superseded by paragraph 3.10 of the first edition of Annex 9 to the Convention on International Civil Aviation (paragraph 3.9 in the current second edition). The first edition of Annex 9 came into force on the 1st of March, 1950. If this view is also shared by the Government of the Netherlands, I have the honour to propose that the said Agreement should be formally terminated in respect of Her Majesty's Governments in the United Kingdom and in New Zealand and the Government of the Netherlands.

If the foregoing proposal is acceptable to the Government of the Netherlands, I have the honour to suggest that the present Note and your Excellency's reply in that sense should be regarded as constituting an Agreement between the Government of the Netherlands and Her Majesty's Governments in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and in New Zealand terminating, after a lapse of 6 months from to-day's date, the arrangements set out in the Exchange of Notes of the 21st of August, 1939.

I have, &c.

PAUL MASON.

(1) "Treaty Series No: 53 (1939)," Cmd. 6130.

*The Netherlands Minister for Foreign Affairs to Her Majesty's
Ambassador at The Hague*

Ministry of Foreign Affairs,

Your Excellency,

The Hague, April 14, 1955.

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your Excellency's Note of 18th October, 1954, concerning the Agreement constituted by the Notes exchanged at The Hague on 21st August, 1939 between the Royal Netherlands Government and Her Britannic Majesty's Governments in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, in the Commonwealth of Australia, and in New Zealand, and the Government of India, regarding the acceptance of licences or certificates of competency of the operating personnel of aircrafts on regular airlines in lieu of national passports. I have the honour to inform your Excellency that the Netherlands Government consider the said Note as a notice of termination in accordance with paragraph 3 of the above-mentioned Agreement of 1939, so that this Agreement will cease to have effect between the Netherlands Government and Her Britannic Majesty's Governments in the United Kingdom and in New Zealand 6 months after your Excellency's notification.

It is understood that the termination will apply to the Netherlands proper, the United Kingdom and New Zealand and also to Netherlands New Guinea, Surinam, and the Netherlands Antilles and the British Colonies, Protected and Mandated Territories and that these territories are now covered by the provisions of paragraph 3.9, Second Edition of Annex 9 to the Convention on International Civil Aviation.

I avail, &c.

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