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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 Commonwealth Telecommunications Organisation

London, 7 and 12 November 1997

[The Exchange of Notes entered into force on 1 August 1999]

*Presented to Parliament
by the Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs
by Command of Her Majesty*

March 2000

**EXCHANGE OF NOTES AMENDING THE HEADQUARTERS AGREEMENT
BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT
BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND AND THE COMMONWEALTH
TELECOMMUNICATIONS ORGANISATION**

No. 1

*The Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs to the Executive Director of
the Commonwealth Telecommunications Organisation*

*Foreign and Commonwealth Office,
London*

7 November 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 Commonwealth Telecommunications Organisation regarding the Headquarters of the Organisation, signed at London on 30 March 1983¹ (hereinafter referred to as “the Agreement”).

2. I now have the honour to propose that a new Article be inserted in the Agreement after Article 7(3) as follows:

“(4) 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.”

3. If the foregoing proposal is acceptable to the Commonwealth Telecommunications Organisation, 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 Commonwealth Telecommunications Organisation 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. 36 (1983) Cmnd 8956.

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

No. 2

*The Executive Director of the Commonwealth Telecommunications Organisation to the
Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs*

London

12 November 1997

I have the honour to refer to your Note of 7 November 1997 which reads as follows:

[As in No. 1]

I have the honour to inform you that the foregoing proposal is acceptable to the Commonwealth Telecommunications Organisation, 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 amendment comes into force.

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

DR D SOUTER

