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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 European Centre for Medium-Range Weather Forecasts

London, 11 and 28 July 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 EUROPEAN CENTRE FOR  
MEDIUM-RANGE WEATHER FORECASTS**

No. 1

*The Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs to the Director of the  
European Centre for Medium-Range Weather Forecasts.*

*Foreign and Commonwealth Office,  
London*

*11 July 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 European Centre for Medium-Range Weather Forecasts regarding the Headquarters of the Centre, signed at London on 1 March 1977<sup>1</sup> (hereinafter referred to as “the Agreement”).

2. I now have the honour to propose that Article 11 of the Agreement be amended as follows:

— at the end of paragraph 3 add “(e) Insurance Premium Tax and Air Passenger Duty paid by the Centre in the exercise of its official activities.”

3. If the foregoing proposal is acceptable to the European Centre for Medium Range Weather Forecasts, 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 Kingdom<sup>2</sup> and Northern Ireland and the European Centre for Medium Range Weather Forecasts 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)

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<sup>1</sup>Treaty Series No. 49 (1977) Cmnd 6842

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

No. 2

*The Director of the European Centre for Medium-Range Weather Forecasts to the Secretary  
of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs*

*London*

*28 July 1997*

I have the honour to refer to your Note of 11 July 1997 which reads as follows:

[As in No. 1]

I have the honour to inform you that the foregoing proposal is acceptable to the European Centre for Medium-Range Weather Forecasts, who therefore agree that the Note and the present reply shall constitute an Agreement between the Organization 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.

DAVID BURRIDGE

