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Exchanges of Notes

between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of Tonga amending and extending the Overseas Service (Tonga) Agreement 1971

Nuku'alofa, 15 March 1976 and 31 March 1981

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EXCHANGES OF NOTES BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND AND THE GOVERNMENT OF TONGA AMENDING AND EXTENDING THE OVERSEAS SERVICE (TONGA) AGREEMENT 1971

No. 1

The United Kingdom High Commissioner at Nuku'alofa to the Minister of Finance of Tonga

British High Commission Nuku'alofa 15 March, 1976

Sir,

1. I have the honour to refer to discussions that have taken place between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of Tonga concerning the continuance of the Overseas Service (Tonga) Agreement 1971(¹) (hereinafter referred to as "the Agreement") and certain matters related to passage costs and to propose that the Agreement be amended as follows:

- (1) In sub-paragraph 4 of paragraph 1 delete the words "one-half of the aggregate" and substitute therefor the word "the"; at the end of that sub-paragraph add a further sentence to read "Passages for designated officers and their dependent families should be, where available, by British carrier and where practicable by excursion or charter flight."
- (2) In sub-paragraph 5 (a) of paragraph 1 delete the words "an inducement allowance" and substitute therefor the words "a salary supplement".
- (3) In sub-paragraph 5 (d) of paragraph 1 delete the words "inducement allowance" and substitute therefor the words "salary supplement".
- (4) In sub-paragraph 6 of paragraph 1 delete the punctuation and words "to the same extent as heretofore,".
- (5) In sub-paragraphs 7 and 8 of paragraph 1 delete the words "allowances, grant and gratuity" and substitute therefor the words "salary supplement, allowance, grant, and gratuity".
- (6) In sub-paragraph 15 of paragraph 1 delete the words and figures
 "31st March 1976" and substitute therefor the words and figures
 "31st March 1981".

2. If this Note correctly sets out the terms that have been agreed, I have the honour to propose that this Note and your reply shall constitute an Agreement between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain

⁽¹⁾ Treaty Series No. 79 (1973), Cmnd. 5351.

and Northern Ireland and the Government of Tonga which shall enter into force on 31st March 1976 and which shall be cited, together with the Agreement, as the Overseas Service (Tonga) (Continuance) Agreement 1971/76.

I have the honour to be, Sir Your obedient servant

H. A. ARTHINGTON-DAVY

No. 2

The Acting Minister of Finance of Tonga to the United Kingdom High Commissioner at Nuku'alofa

Ministry of Finance Nuku alofa 15 March, 1976

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your Note of today's date which reads as follows:

[As in No. 1]

2. I confirm that the proposals contained in your Note are acceptable to the Government of Tonga and that your Note and this reply shall constitute an Agreement between the two Governments which shall enter into force on 31st March 1976 and which shall be cited, together with the Agreement, as the Overseas Service (Tonga) (Continuance) Agreement 1971/76.

I have the honour

to be, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

S. TAPA

No. 3

The United Kingdom High Commissioner at Nuku'alofa to His Royal Highness Prince Tupouto'a; Minister of Foreign Affairs and Defence of Tonga

> British High Commission Nuku'alofa 6 March, 1981

Your Royal Highness

I have the honour to refer to the Overseas Service (Tonga) (Continuance) Agreement 1971/76 (hereinafter referred to as "the Agreement") and to propose that the Agreement be amended as follows: —

(a) sub-paragraph 5(d) of paragraph 1 is deleted;

- (b) in sub-paragraph 7 and in sub-paragraph 8 of paragraph 1, delete the punctuation and words ", grant and gratuity" and substitute therefor the words " and grant ";
- (c) in sub-paragraph 15 of paragraph 1, delete the words and figures
 "31 March 1981" and substitute therefor the words and figures
 "31 March 1986".

2. If these proposals are acceptable to the Government of Tonga, I have the honour to suggest that this Note and your reply shall constitute an agreement between our two Governments which shall enter into force on 31 March 1981, and which shall be cited, together with the Agreement, as "the Overseas Service (Tonga) Agreement 1971/81".

> I have the honour to be Your Royal Highness Your Obedient Servant

BERNARD COLEMAN

No. 4

The Minister of Foreign Affairs and Defence of Tonga to the United Kingdom High Commissioner at Nuku'alofa

> Ministry of Foreign Affairs Nuku'alofa 6 March, 1981

Your Excellency,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your Note No. TAS 093/5 of 6 March 1981 which reads as follows:---

[As in No. 1]

I have the honour to inform you that the foregoing proposal is acceptable to the Government of Tonga who therefore agree that your Note and this reply shall constitute an agreement between the two Governments which shall enter into force on 31 March 1981 and which shall be cited, together with the Agreement, as the "Overseas Service (Tonga) Agreement 1971/81".

Accept Your Excellency the assurances of my highest consideration.

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