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## Exchange of Notes

between the Government of the United Kingdom of
Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the
Government of the United States of America modifying
the Agreement concerning the Establishment on
Ascension Island of an Additional Facility to be
operated for the United States National
Aeronautics and Space Administration of
7 July, 1965

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BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA MODIFYING THE AGREEMENT CONCERNING THE ESTABLISHMENT ON ASCENSION ISLAND OF AN ADDITIONAL FACILITY TO BE OPERATED FOR THE UNITED STATES NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION, OF 7 JULY, 1965

No. 1

The United States Ambassador at London to the Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs

Embassy of the United States of America,

No. 53

London.

Excellency:

November 18, 1980.

I have the honor to refer to the agreement between the Government of the United States and the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland concerning the establishment on Ascension Island of an additional facility to be operated for the United States national Aeronautics and Space Administration effected by an exchange of notes at London on July 7, 1965(1), and to recent discussions between our two governments regarding NASA's future plans for tracking operations and the space transportation system program being developed by the Government of the United States. In order to take into account these program advances, I have the honor to propose that this facility be generally available in support of any experimental or operational program related to manned or unmanned flight.

If the foregoing proposal is acceptable to the Government of the United Kingdom, I have the honor to propose that this note and your reply to that effect shall constitute an agreement between our two governments modifying the July 7, 1965 agreement referred to above, and that the agreement shall enter into force on the date of your reply and remain in force for the duration of the July 7, 1965 agreement.

Accept, Excellency, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

KINGMAN BREWSTER

## The Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs to the United States Ambassador at London

Foreign and Commonwealth Office, London.

Your Excellency,

19 December, 1980.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Note of the 18th of November 1980 which reads as follows:

## [As in No. 1]

In reply I wish to inform Your Excellency that the foregoing proposal is acceptable to the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, who therefore agree that your note and this reply shall constitute an Agreement between the two Governments which shall enter into force on this date and remain in force for the duration of the Agreement of July 1965 referred to above.

I have the honour to renew to Your Excellency the assurance of my highest consideration.

(For the Secretary of State)

RONALD DEARE