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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 Kingdom of Norway

concerning the Disposal of the “Brent Spar”  
Offshore Installation

Oslo, 7 July 1995

[The Agreement came into effect on 7 July 1995]

*Presented to Parliament  
by the Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs  
by Command of Her Majesty  
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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 KINGDOM OF NORWAY CONCERNING THE  
DISPOSAL OF THE "BRENT SPAR" OFFSHORE INSTALLATION**

No. 1

*The British Embassy at Oslo to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Norway*

*British Embassy  
Oslo  
7 July 1995*

Note no. 61

Her Britannic Majesty's Embassy present their compliments to the Royal Ministry of Foreign Affairs and have the honour to confirm that the United Kingdom agrees to ensure that arrangements are provided for the disposal of the "Brent Spar", whose owners accept that they have a statutory duty to provide for its satisfactory disposal, to which the usual statutory procedures will have to be applied. The "Brent Spar" is still, and will remain, registered as a United Kingdom offshore installation. Its eventual disposal will not become a Norwegian responsibility. The United Kingdom Government will give any permits and consents necessary for the removal of the "Brent Spar" from waters under Norwegian jurisdiction when, in accordance with the Norwegian authorities' decision, the date for temporary mooring in Norway has expired.

If the content of this Note is acceptable to the Government of Norway this Note and the reply of the Government of Norway will constitute an agreement between our two Governments.

Her Britannic Majesty's Embassy avail themselves of this opportunity to renew to the Royal Ministry of Foreign Affairs the assurance of their highest consideration.

No. 2

*The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of Norway  
to the British Embassy at Oslo*

*Royal Ministry of Foreign Affairs  
Oslo*

*7 July 1995*

The Royal Ministry of Foreign Affairs presents its compliments to her Britannic Majesty's Embassy and has the honour to acknowledge receipt of the Embassy's Note No. 61 of 7 July 1995 which reads as follows:

[As in No. 1]

The Ministry has the honour to inform the Embassy that the content of the said Note is acceptable to the Government of Norway, who will regard the Embassy's Note and this reply as constituting an agreement between our two Governments.

The Royal Ministry of Foreign Affairs avails itself of this opportunity to renew to Her Britannic Majesty's Embassy the assurances of its highest consideration.

