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between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the World Health Organization

concerning Exemption of W.H.O. Officials from Social Security Contributions

Geneva, 30 March 1979

[The Agreement entered into force on 16 May 1985]

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UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND AND THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION CONCERNING EXEMPTION OF W.H.O. OFFICIALS FROM SOCIAL SECURITY CONTRIBUTIONS

No. 1

The United Kingdom Permanent Representative to the United Nations Office and other International Organisations at Geneva to the Director-General of the World Health Organization

United Kingdom Mission Geneva 30 March 1979

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the Specialized Agencies of the United Nations, adopted by the General Assembly of the United Nations on 21 November 1947¹, and to the request from the World Health Organization concerning the application of social security provisions established by the law of the United Kingdom and have the honour to inform you that the Government of the United Kingdom are prepared to conclude an agreement in the following terms:

"Officials of the World Health Organisation specified under Article VI, Section 18 of the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the Specialized Agencies of the United Nations, if they are not citizens of the United Kingdom and Colonies and not permanently resident in the United Kingdom, shall enjoy exemptions whereby services rendered for the World Health Organisation shall be deemed to be excepted from any employment in respect of which contributions or premiums are payable under enactments in force in relation to social security in the United Kingdom."

If the foregoing proposal is acceptable to the World Health Organization, 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 of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the World Health Organization which shall enter into force on the date on which the United Kingdom legislation giving effect to the Agreement comes into operation, which date shall be notified to the World Health Organization².

I avail myself of this opportunity to renew to you, Sir, the assurance of my high consideration.

JAMES MURRAY

¹Treaty Series No. 69 (1959), Cmnd. 855.

²The Agreement entered into force on 16 May 1985.

The Director-General of the World Health Organization to the United Kingdom Permanent Representative to the United Nations Office and other International Organisations at Geneva

World Health Organization 30 March 1979

Your Excellency,

I have the honour to refer to Your Excellency's Note of 30 March 1979 which reads as follows:

[As in No. 1]

I have the honour to inform Your Excellency that the foregoing proposal is acceptable to the World Health Organization, who therefore agree that your Note and the present reply shall constitute an Agreement between the World Health Organization and the Government of the United Kingdom which shall enter into force on the date on which the United Kingdom legislation giving effect to the Agreement comes into operation.

I avail myself of this opportunity to renew to Your Excellency the assurance of my highest consideration.

H. MAHLER



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