

No. 131

**UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND
NORTHERN IRELAND
and
CZECHOSLOVAKIA**

**Agreement for the supply of certain aircraft and equipment
to Czechoslovakia (with Annex). Signed at Prague, on
19 February 1947**

English and Czech official texts communicated by the Permanent United Kingdom Representative to the United Nations. The registration took place on 31 October 1947.

**ROYAUME-UNI DE GRANDE-BRETAGNE ET
D'IRLANDE DU NORD
et
TCHECOSLOVAQUIE**

**Accord relatif à la fourniture d'avions et de matériel à la
Tchécoslovaquie (avec annexe). Signé à Prague, le
19 février 1947**

Textes officiels anglais et tchèques communiqués par le représentant permanent du Royaume-Uni auprès de l'Organisation des Nations Unies. L'enregistrement a eu lieu le 31 octobre 1947.

No. 131. AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE CZECHOSLOVAK REPUBLIC FOR THE SUPPLY OF CERTAIN AIRCRAFT AND EQUIPMENT TO CZECHOSLOVAKIA. SIGNED AT PRAGUE, ON 19 FEBRUARY 1947

The Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Czechoslovak Republic;

Desiring to make arrangements for the supply by the United Kingdom to Czechoslovakia of certain aircraft and equipment,

Have agreed as follows:—

Article 1

1. The Government of the United Kingdom agree to supply to the Czechoslovak Government the aircraft and equipment specified in the Annex to this Agreement.

2. Some of the aircraft and equipment specified in the Annex has already been delivered to the Czechoslovak Government and the remainder shall be delivered as soon as possible. In the event of any unforeseen shortage of equipment arising, every effort will be made by the Government of the United Kingdom to find acceptable substitutes.

3. In so far as the aircraft and equipment specified in the Annex includes items of equipment which have been obtained by the Government of the United Kingdom from the Government of the United States on lend-lease, the delivery and price of such items are in accordance with arrangements made by the Government of the United Kingdom with the Government of the United States.

4. If the Czechoslovak Government desire any aircraft or equipment specified in the Annex to be delivered by air, such delivery shall be at the expense and the risk of the Czechoslovak Government.

5. Subject to paragraph 4 above, aircraft and equipment still to be supplied shall, if coming from the United Kingdom or from a source outside Europe, be delivered by the Government of the United Kingdom free on board at the port of embarkation. The cost of shipment and the risks of transport from the port of embarkation to Czechoslovakia shall fall upon the Czechoslovak Government. Aircraft and equipment still to be supplied and coming from Royal Air

¹ Came into force on 19 February 1947 as from the date of signature, in accordance with Article 3.

Force depots or units in Europe shall be delivered by the Government of the United Kingdom at those depots or units, and the Czechoslovak Government will assume the cost and risks of transport by road or rail to Czechoslovakia.

Article 2

1. The Czechoslovak Government will pay for that portion of the aircraft and equipment specified in the Annex which has not already been supplied as mutual aid under the provisions of the Protocol of 21st January, 1943, the sum of £354,000 to the Government of the United Kingdom.

2. The sum of £50,000, part of the sum of £354,000, has been charged against the Czechoslovak Government as part of the "war-time credit" granted to the Czechoslovak Government by the Government of the United Kingdom and in consequence will be repaid in the manner agreed for the repayment of that credit. Payment of the balance shall be made in sterling through the channels established by the Monetary Agreement signed in London on 1st November, 1945.¹ This payment shall be made not later than six months from this day's date provided that the deliveries of aircraft and equipment which the Government of the United Kingdom has still to make under the provisions of Article 1 have been completed, by that date, to the extent of 90 per cent. as estimated by the air authorities of the United Kingdom on the basis of the original values. If, however, these deliveries have not been completed to that extent, the Czechoslovak Government shall pay on that date such proportion of the above-mentioned sum of £354,000 as corresponds to the deliveries actually made, as estimated by the air authorities of the United Kingdom on the basis of original values. The balance shall be paid as soon as the deliveries have been completed.

3. In paragraph 2 above, the expression "deliveries" means deliveries by air in accordance with paragraph 4 of Article 1 and deliveries at the places specified in paragraph 5 of Article 1.

Article 3

The present Agreement shall come into force as from this day's date.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the undersigned plenipotentiaries, being duly authorised to this effect, have signed the present Agreement and have affixed thereto their seals.

DONE in Prague this 19th day of February, 1947, in duplicate, the English and Czech texts being equally authentic.

[L.S.] Philip NICHOLS

[L.S.] V. CLEMENTIS

¹ United Nations, *Treaty Series*, Volume 5, page 15.

A N N E X

1. *One Station Headquarters*

- (a) Station ground equipment and maintenance and wastage for one year.
- (b) Station M.T. and maintenance and wastage for one year.

2. *Three Single-Engined Fighter Squadrons* (Nos. 310, 312 and 313)

- (a) 72 Spitfire IX Es.
- (b) Unit equipment and maintenance and wastage for one year. (Comprises 3 workshop trailers.)
- (c) 15 spare engines.
- (d) Airframe and engine spares for one year.

3. *Communication Flight*

- (a) 3 Auster Is. Unit equipment and maintenance and wastage for one year. One spare engine and airframe and engine spares for one year.
- (b) 1 Anson I with one spare engine and airframe and engine spares for one year.

4. *1 Fighter-Bomber Squadron* (No. 311)

- (a) 24 Mosquito VIs.
- (b) Unit equipment with maintenance and wastage for one year. (Includes 1 workshop trailer.)
- (c) 10 spare engines.
- (d) Airframe and engine spares for one year.

5. *Ammunition and Bombs*

Quantities and types detailed at Table I.

6. *Equipment taken from Manston*

Excludes M.T. (Already included in M.T. for Station H.Q. at paragraph 1 above.)

7. *Flying Clothing*

Issued on loan.

8. *Signals*

Station ground equipment with maintenance and wastage for one year. Details at Table II.

NOTE.—The air authorities of the United Kingdom will assess the amount of equipment to be supplied for maintenance and wastage and as airframe and engine spares on the basis of previous experience of the types of aircraft and equipment in question.

TABLE I.—AMMUNITION AND BOMBS

1. *Ammunition*

Spitfire Squadrons—

20 mm., HE/I, 6,090 rounds.

20 mm., SAP/I, 6,090 rounds.

Mosquito Squadrons—

• 303, AP, 4,680 rounds.

• 303, Inc, 4,680 rounds.

20 mm., HE/I, 4,550 rounds.

20 mm., SAP/I, 4,550 rounds.

Total—

• 303, AP, 4,680 rounds.

• 303, Inc, 4,680 rounds.

20 mm., HE/I, 10,640 rounds.

20 mm., SAP/I, 10,640 rounds.

2. *Bombs*

Spitfire Squadrons—

500 lbs., MC, 150.

250 lbs., MC, 150

Mosquito Squadrons—

500 lbs., MC, 20.

20 lbs. F, 369.

8 lbs., F, 2,255.

Total—

500 lbs., MC, 170.

250 lbs., MC, 150.

20 lbs., F, 369.

8 lbs., F, 2,255.

TABLE II.—SIGNALS EQUIPMENT

Qty. 5 T.G.R.I. 5247 (VHF/DF).

“ 7 Station Transportable Type 22 (or equivalent apparatus).

“ 12 Test Set Type 5A, including artificial aerial.

“ 12 Test Set Type 10.

“ 2 Signals Generator Type 12 for R 1132A.

“ 12 Avometer Type 40.

“ 28 T.R. 1143.

Twelve months pack-up of spares as applicable for all equipment listed above.