

No. 133

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

**Exchange of Notes for the maintenance of a Royal Air Force
Communications Flight in Greece. Athens, 5 June 1947**

English official text 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
GRECE**

**Echange de notes en vue du maintien en Grèce d'une section
aérienne de liaison de la *Royal Air Force*. Athènes,
5 juin 1947**

Texte officiel anglais communiqué par le représentant permanent du Royaume-Uni auprès de l'Organisation des Nations Unies. L'enregistrement a eu lieu le 31 octobre 1947.

No. 133. EXCHANGE OF NOTES¹ BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND AND THE GREEK GOVERNMENT FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF A ROYAL AIR FORCE COMMUNICATIONS FLIGHT IN GREECE. ATHENS, 5 JUNE 1947

No. 1

Sir Clifford Norton to Monsieur Constantine Tsaldaris

BRITISH EMBASSY

Athens, 5th June, 1947

Your Excellency,

I have the honour to state that His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland have proposed that, after the withdrawal of the Royal Air Force from its present responsibilities in connexion with the operational control and maintenance of Hassani Air Port, facilities be accorded by the Royal Hellenic Air Force which would enable the Royal Air Force to maintain at Hassani a Communications Flight to serve the needs of the British Forces in Greece so long as these forces remain.

In order to assist in the operation and maintenance of the aircraft of this Flight, His Majesty's Government also propose that the Royal Air Force should maintain a small detachment of officers and men at Sedes Airfield and at any other airfield in Greece at which, from time to time, such a detachment may become necessary.

I desire to assure Your Excellency that the names of any Greek subjects who may be employed in any capacity by the Royal Air Force in connexion with the operation or maintenance of this Flight will be, for reasons of security, agreed with the Greek Ministry for Air. It is also understood by His Majesty's Government that the Royal Air Force personnel belonging to the Communications Flight or to the detachments referred to above will conform to such Greek flying and aerodrome regulations as may be in force.

¹ Came into force on 5 June 1947 by the exchange of the said notes.

I should be grateful if Your Excellency will inform me whether the Royal Hellenic Government are prepared to accord the necessary facilities for the operation of the proposed Communications Flight based at Hassani Air Port as stated above. In that event the present Note and Your Excellency's reply to that effect will be regarded as constituting an agreement between our two Governments.

I avail myself, &c.

(Signed) C. J. NORTON

No. 2

Monsieur Tsaldaris to Sir Clifford Norton
MINISTÈRE ROYAL DES AFFAIRES ÉTRANGÈRES

Athens, 5th June, 1947

Your Excellency,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of Your Note of to-day's date, which runs as follows:

[As in Note No. 1]

I hasten to inform Your Excellency that the Royal Hellenic Government are prepared to accord the necessary facilities for the operation of the proposed Communications Flight based at Hassani (Ellinicon) Air Port as stated above.

I avail myself, &c.

(Signed) C. S. TSALDARIS