

No. 329. EXCHANGE OF NOTES<sup>1</sup> BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENTS OF AUSTRALIA AND OF GREECE CONCERNING THE GIFT OF RELIEF SUPPLIES TO GREECE. SYDNEY, 1 JULY 1948, AND CANBERRA, 1 JULY 1948

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ROYAL CONSULATE GENERAL OF GREECE

IN AUSTRALIA

Challis House  
10 Martin Place  
Phone BW 6926

Sydney, 1st July, 1948

No. 728 A/9

Sir,

I have the honour to record my Government's understanding of the arrangement agreed upon between the Governments of Australia and Greece relating to the provision of Australian supplies as a contribution to the solution of the economic difficulties confronting Greece, as follows:—

1. The Government of Australia will furnish without charge to the Government of Greece supplies of such types and quantities as may be agreed upon by the Governments of Australia and Greece and also in relation thereto to pay the costs of procurement, storage, transportation and shipping to the port of entry into Greece.
2. The Government of Greece will from time to time submit in advance to the Government of Australia a statement of the types and qualities of supplies required which will be subject to screening and approval by the Government of Australia. Procurement will be authorised for the types and qualities of supplies so approved.
3. The Government of Australia will retain ownership of such supplies up to the time of their arrival in the port of entry into Greece.

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<sup>1</sup> Came into force on 1 July 1948, by the exchange of the said notes.

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**AUSTRALIA  
and  
GREECE**

**Exchange of Notes concerning the gift of relief supplies to Greece. Sydney, 1 July 1948, and Canberra, 1 July 1948, and supplementary Exchange of Notes. Canberra, 29 September 1948, and Sydney, 6 October 1948**

*English official text communicated by the Minister in charge of the Australian Mission to the United Nations. The registration took place on 21 December 1948.*

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**AUSTRALIE  
et  
GRECE**

**Echange de notes concernant l'octroi de secours à la Grèce. Sydney, 1er juillet 1948, et Canberra, 1er juillet 1948, et échange de notes additionnel. Canberra, 29 septembre 1948, et Sydney, 6 octobre 1948**

*Texte officiel anglais communiqué par le Ministre, chef de la Mission australienne auprès de l'Organisation des Nations Unies. L'enregistrement a eu lieu le 21 décembre 1948.*

4. Supplies provided by this agreement are given and will be used for relief needs in accordance with the principle reaffirmed in General Assembly Resolution 48 (I).<sup>1</sup>
5. Such supplies will not be used for the maintenance of armed forces or any other military or similar purposes.
6. The Government of Greece will take appropriate steps to make known to the people of Greece the origin of the supplies and the purposes for which they are being provided by the Government of Australia.
7. This arrangement shall take effect as from this day's date.

I have the honour to suggest that this Note and your Note in similar terms of to-day's date shall be deemed to constitute and evidence the Arrangement agreed upon between our two Governments.

I have the honour to be, Sir, your obedient servant,

(Signed) E. C. VRISAKIS  
Consul-General

The Minister for External Affairs  
Canberra, A.C.T.

## II

DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS  
CANBERRA, A.C.T.

1st July, 1948

Sir,

I have the honour to record my Government's understanding of the arrangement agreed upon between the Governments of Australia and Greece relating to the provision of Australian supplies as a contribution to the solution of the economic difficulties confronting Greece, as follows:—

[See note I]

I have the honour to agree with your suggestion that your Note and this Note shall be deemed to constitute and evidence the Arrangement agreed upon between our two Governments.

<sup>1</sup> United Nations, document A/64/Add.1.

I have the honour to be, Sir, your obedient servant,

(Signed) H. V. EVATT  
Minister of State for External Affairs

The Consul-General for Greece  
Sydney

SUPPLEMENTARY EXCHANGE OF NOTES.<sup>1</sup> CANBERRA, 29 SEPTEMBER 1948, AND SYDNEY, 6 OCTOBER 1948

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DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS  
CANBERRA, A.C.T.

29th September, 1948

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to your Note of 1st July, 1948 recording your Government's understanding of the arrangements agreed upon between the Governments of Australia and Greece, relating to the provision of Australian supplies to Greece, and to your further communication to the Minister for Supply and Development dated 7th September indicating the desire of your Government in this connection to purchase £150,000 worth of Australian wool in lieu of other supplies.

In view of the fact that the original agreement was drawn up on the assumption that supplies other than wool were to be provided, it is felt that your concurrence should be sought to a modification of the agreement to suit the special circumstances connected with the purchase of wool in Australia. This modification would take the form of a supplementary clause in the following terms:

“The Government of Greece will nominate as its agent an Australian wool buying broker, such nomination to be subject to the approval of the Government of Australia. Such broker will be authorised to arrange, in consultation with and with the approval of the Government of Australia, for the procurement, storage, transportation and shipment of such wool.”

<sup>1</sup> Came into force on 6 October 1948, by the exchange of the said notes.

The existing agreement will otherwise apply *mutatis mutandis*.

I should be grateful for your formal concurrence in this modification of the agreement.

I have the honour to be, Sir, your obedient servant.

(For the Acting Minister of State)  
(Signed) John W. BURTON  
Secretary

The Consul-General for Greece  
Sydney

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ROYAL CONSULATE GENERAL OF GREECE  
IN AUSTRALIA  
Challis House  
10 Martin Place  
Phone: BW 6926

Sydney, 6th October, 1948

No. 1266 A/9

Sir:

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter of September 29th, relating to the provision of Australian supplies to Greece, and to inform you that, on behalf of my Government, I agree to the following modification of relative agreement of July 1st, 1948:

“The Government of Greece will nominate as its agent an Australian wool buying broker, such nominations to be subject to the approval of the Government of Australia. Such broker will be authorised to arrange in consultation with, and with the approval of the Government of Australia, for the procurement, storage, transportation and shipment of the wool.”

I have the honour to be, Sir, your obedient servant,

(Signed) E. C. VRISAKIS  
Consul General for Greece

J. W. Burton, Esq.  
Secretary  
Department of External Affairs  
Canberra, A.C.T.