

No. 1324

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

**Exchange of notes constituting an agreement relating to the right of Qantas Empire Airways to exercise full traffic rights at Suva (Fiji Islands) on a service from Sydney to Suva via Noumea. Canberra, 24 and 28 April 1950**

*Official text: English.*

*Registered by the International Civil Aviation Organization on 18 July 1951.*

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

**Échange de notes constituant un accord relatif au droit de la compagnie Qantas Empire Airways au plein exercice des droits de trafic à Suva (îles Fidji), pour l'exploitation d'un service reliant Sydney à Suva, via Nouméa. Canberra, 24 et 28 avril 1950**

*Texte officiel anglais.*

*Enregistré par l'Organisation de l'aviation civile internationale le 18 juillet 1951.*

No. 1324. EXCHANGE OF NOTES CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT<sup>1</sup> BETWEEN AUSTRALIA AND THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND RELATING TO THE RIGHTS OF QANTAS EMPIRE AIRWAYS TO EXERCISE FULL TRAFFIC RIGHTS AT SUVA (FIJI ISLANDS) ON A SERVICE FROM SYDNEY TO SUVA VIA NOUMEA. CANBERRA, 24 AND 28 APRIL 1950

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## I

24th April, 1950

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My dear High Commissioner,

In the course of discussions which took place at Canberra in May 1949 between United Kingdom and Australian civil aviation representatives, it was decided that it would be appropriate for the provisional traffic rights at present exercised by Qantas Empire Airways at Suva in the Fiji Islands to be formally confirmed. The Australian Government would therefore be grateful if the United Kingdom Government would now give formal confirmation of the right of this airline to exercise full traffic rights at Suva on the service from Sydney to Suva via Noumea.

Yours sincerely,

*(Signed)* Robert G. MENZIES

His Excellency

The Right Honourable E. J. Williams  
High Commissioner for the United Kingdom  
Canberra

## II

OFFICE OF THE HIGH COMMISSIONER  
FOR THE UNITED KINGDOM  
CANBERRA

28 April, 1950

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My dear Prime Minister,

In your letter of 24th April you requested that the United Kingdom Government should give formal confirmation of the right of Qantas Empire

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<sup>1</sup> Came into force on 28 April 1950, by the exchange of the said notes.

Airways to exercise full traffic rights at Suva on a service from Sidney to Suva via Noumea.

I am now instructed by my Government to convey their formal agreement to the exercise of these rights.

Yours sincerely,

(Signed) E. J. WILLIAMS

The Right Honourable R. G. Menzies, K.C., M.P.  
Prime Minister of the Commonwealth of Australia  
Canberra, A.C.T.