AUSTRALIA and ITALY

Exchange of notes constituting an agreement relating to the care and maintenance of graves of soldiers formerly members of the Italian Armed Forces fallen or buried in Australia or in any territory or Trust Territory administered by the Government of the Commonwealth of Australia. Rome, 27 August 1953

Official texts: English and Italian.

Registered by Australia on 23 December 1955.

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Enregistré par l'Australie le 23 décembre 1955.

No. 3086. EXCHANGE OF NOTES CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA AND ITALY RELATING TO THE CARE AND MAINTENANCE OF GRAVES OF SOLDIERS FORMERLY MEMBERS OF THE ITALIAN ARMED FORCES FALLEN OR BURIED IN AUSTRALIA OR IN ANY TERRITORY OR TRUST TERRITORY ADMINISTERED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA. ROME, 27 AUGUST 1953

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The Australian Minister in Rome to the Italian Minister of Foreign Affairs 81/3/2

27th August, 1953

Your Excellency,

I have the honour to inform Your Excellency that the Government of the Commonwealth of Australia undertakes to accord to the Italian Government, as regards the care and maintenance of graves of soldiers formerly members of the Italian Armed Forces, both metropolitan and colonial, fallen or buried in Australia or in any territory or trust territory administered by the Government of the Commonwealth of Australia, a treatment analogous to and not less favourable than that accorded by the Italian Government for the care and maintenance of the Commonwealth graves in Italy under the provisions of the Agreement² signed on this day between the Governments of the United Kingdom, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, India and Pakistan on the one hand, and the Italian Government on the other hand, having regard to the number of graves concerned. Accordingly, the Government of the Commonwealth of Australia will arrange with the Italian Government, through the diplomatic channel, for appropriate facilities to be granted in Autralia or in any of the territories or trust territories in question where there are Italian war graves and will also take the necessary steps to ensure that the competent Italian authorities are given all possible assistance in tracing such graves.

¹ Came into force on 20 May 1955, the date of entry into force of the Agreement referred to in the first paragraph of the above exchange of notes.

² United Nations, Treaty Series, Vol. 213, p. 137.

2. If the proposals outlined above meet with the approval of the Italian Government I have the honour to suggest that the present Note, and Your Excellency's reply in that sense, shall be regarded as constituting an agreement between the two Governments in this matter.

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

C. V. KELLWAY

His Excellency Signor Giuseppe Pella Minister of Foreign Affairs Rome

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The Italian Minister of Foreign Affairs to the Australian Minister in Rome

[ITALIAN TEXT — TEXTE ITALIEN]

[Translation — Traduction]

Roma, 27 agosto 1953

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Signor Ministro,

in data odierna Ella mi ha inviato la seguente lettera:

Your Excellency,

I acknowledge the receipt of your letter of today's date in the following terms:

[See note I — Voir note I]

Ho l'onore di comunicare alla S. V. che il Governo Italiano è d'accordo su quanto precede.

La prego di accogliere, Signor Ministro, i sensi della mia alta considerazione.

[See note I]

I have the honour to inform you that the Italian Government is in agreement with the foregoing.

I have the honour to be, etc.

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A S.E. il Signor Cedric Vernon Kellway

Inviato Straordinario e Ministro Plenipotenziario dell'Australia Roma

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H.E. Mr. Cedric Vernon Kellway Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary of Australia Rome