

No. 4250

**ITALY
and
FRANCE**

**Exchange of notes constituting an agreement relating to the
extension of copyright protection. Rome, 29 July 1957**

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**Échange de notes constituant un accord pour la prorogation
des termes de protection des droits d'auteur. Rome,
29 juillet 1957**

Texte officiel français.

Enregistré par l'Italie le 25 mars 1958.

[TRANSLATION — TRADUCTION]

No. 4250. EXCHANGE OF NOTES CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN ITALY AND FRANCE RELATING TO THE EXTENSION OF COPYRIGHT PROTECTION. ROME, 29 JULY 1957

I

EMBASSY OF THE FRENCH REPUBLIC IN ITALY

Rome, 29 July 1957

Your Excellency,

By an exchange of notes dated 27 December 1951, the Governments of France and Italy, after examining the existing copyright agreements between their two countries, stated that French literary and artistic works which were still protected by copyright in Italy on the date of the entry into force of Italian Decree No. 440 of 20 July 1945 would be automatically entitled to the extension of six years which was granted to Italian works by the above Decree and that, on a reciprocal basis, Italian works which were still protected by copyright in France on the date specified in French Act No. 51.1119 of 21 September 1951 would be entitled to a similar extension.

By Act No. 1421 of 19 December 1956, Italy has now further extended the terms of copyright protection.

I have the honour to propose, therefore, that Italian works which were still protected by copyright in France on the date specified in the aforesaid French Act No. 51.1119 of 21 September 1951 should be automatically entitled to the entire period of extension specified in that Act, and that, on a reciprocal basis, French works which would otherwise lose copyright protection in Italy during the period between the date of the entry into force of the aforesaid Italian Act No. 1421 of 19 December 1956 and 31 December 1960 should be automatically entitled to the extension established by that Act.

I have the honour to propose that the present Note and your reply confirming the same should be regarded as constituting an agreement between our two Governments.

I have the honour to be, etc.

J. FOUQUES DUPARC

His Excellency Mr. Giuseppe Pella
Minister of Foreign Affairs

¹ Came into force on 29 July 1957 by the exchange of the said notes.

II

THE MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

Rome, 29 July 1957

Your Excellency,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your Note of today's date which reads as follows :

[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.

Giuseppe PELLA

His Excellency Mr. Jacques Fouques-Duparc
Ambassador of France at Rome
