

No. 7006

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

Agreement (with schedule) concerning the exchange of money orders between the Trust Territory of Nauru and the Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony. Signed at London, on 23 September 1963, and at Canberra, on 27 September 1963

Official text: English.

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

Accord (avec annexe) concernant l'échange de mandats entre le Territoire sous tutelle de Nauru et la Colonie des îles Gilbert et Ellice. Signé à Londres, le 23 septembre 1963, et à Canberra, le 27 septembre 1963

Texte officiel anglais.

Enregistré par le Royaume-Uni de Grande-Bretagne et d'Irlande du Nord le 4 décembre 1963.

No. 7006. AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND CONCERNING THE EXCHANGE OF MONEY ORDERS BETWEEN THE TRUST TERRITORY OF NAURU AND THE GILBERT AND ELLICE ISLANDS COLONY. SIGNED AT LONDON, ON 23 SEPTEMBER 1963, AND AT CANBERRA, ON 27 SEPTEMBER 1963

In order to establish an exchange of Money Orders between the Trust Territory of Nauru and the Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony, the undersigned, duly authorised for that purpose, have agreed upon the following Articles :

Article I

There shall be a regular exchange of Money Orders between the Trust Territory of Nauru and the Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony.

Article II

The amount of the Money Orders exchanged in both directions shall be expressed in Australian currency.

Article III

The maximum amount for which a Money Order may be drawn in either territory upon the other shall be forty pounds. No Money Order shall contain a fractional part of a penny.

Article IV

Each ordinary Money Order shall be in the form numbered 1 in the Schedule to this Agreement and shall be delivered to the remitter thereof to be forwarded by him at his own expense to the payee. An advice of each such Money Order in the form numbered 1 A in the Schedule to this Agreement shall be prepared by the Post Office concerned when the Money Order is completed. Advices of ordinary Money Orders shall be despatched in accordance with Article XV of this Agreement.

¹ Came into force on 1 October 1963, in accordance with article XXIII.

Article V

Telegraphic Money Orders shall be subject to the following conditions :

1. Telegraphic Money Orders shall be in the form numbered 2 in the Schedule to this Agreement and shall not exceed the maximum amount allowed in the case of ordinary Money Orders, viz., forty pounds, and an Advice of each such Telegraphic Money Order in the form numbered 2 A in such Schedule shall be prepared by the Post Office concerned when the Telegraphic Money Order is completed. Such Advice shall be returned by the Post Office for use by it in ensuring due payment of the Order.
2. The remitter of a Telegraphic Money Order shall be required to pay, in addition to the ordinary Money Order Commission, the cost of the telegram of advice at the ordinary rate per word from one territory to the other.
3. The remitter of a Telegraphic Money Order shall on paying for the additional words required, be allowed to add to the official telegram of advice any short communication which he may wish to send to the payee.
4. The telegram of advice shall be prepared in accordance with the following specimen; the amount being represented by a code word or code words given in the Australian Post Office List of Code Words :

Telmo (*Name of Office of Exchange*)

(a)	(b)	(c)
Code Word	742	five pounds
(d)		
Tieti Uaori		
Matang Nonouti		
(e)	(f)	
Private Message	Benetito	
(if any)		

Explanation of above :

- (a) Code word to represent amount of Order to nearest ten shillings.
- (b) Serial number of Order at Office of issue.
- (c) Amount of Order; to be invariably stated in words.
- (d) Name of payee (forename as well as surname, or first and second names) and full address of payee.
- (e) Private message for payee. Such a message may be added if the remitter desires so.
- (f) Name of remitter.

5. Telegraphic Money Orders may not be made payable to a box number or telegraphic code address, but must be in the name of a person or firm.
6. The maximum amount of a single telegram of advice shall be limited to one hundred pounds.
7. In the case of this maximum which would include two Orders of forty pounds and one of twenty pounds only one telegram of advice will be necessary but it must contain the three Money Orders numbers such as 742/3/4.
8. Telegraphic Money Orders shall be advised to each territory on the usual Money Order Advice List, in the form numbered 3 in the Schedule to this Agreement the Money Order numbers being prefixed on the list by the letter " T ".
9. In the case of errors or fictitious telegrams, the responsibility for any losses involved, shall be borne by the territory in whose service the error or fraud was committed. In cases where it is impossible to determine in which service the error or fraud was committed, the responsibility for any losses involved shall be shared equally by the Trust Territory of Nauru and the Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony Post Offices.
10. The Telegraphic Money Orders shall be exchanged in both directions between the Nauru Post Office and the Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony Post Offices at Tarawa and Ocean Island.
11. When the address in a Telegraphic Money Order indicates that the payee resides on an island other than Tarawa or Ocean Island, the Postmaster at the Exchange Office at Tarawa shall be responsible for forwarding the order to the payee in the first mail.
12. In other respects Telegraphic Money Orders shall be subject to the same regulations as ordinary Money Orders.

Article VI

The Administrator of the Trust Territory of Nauru shall have power to fix the rates of commission on all Money Orders issued within his jurisdiction, and the Resident Commissioner of the Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony shall have the same power in regard to all Money Orders issued in the Colony.

Article VII

The Chief Postmaster of the Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony and the Administrator of the Trust Territory of Nauru shall communicate to the other the tariff of charges or rates of commission which shall be established under this Agreement and these rates shall, in all cases, be payable in advance by the remitter and shall not be repayable. It is understood, moreover, that each Postmaster at

the Exchange Offices in the Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony and the Administrator of the Trust Territory of Nauru is authorised to suspend temporarily the exchange of Money Orders in case the course of exchange or any other circumstances should give rise to abuse or cause detriment to the postal revenue.

Article VIII

Each territory shall retain the commission charged on all Money Orders issued within its jurisdiction, but shall pay to the other territory Money Orders issued within its jurisdiction, but shall pay to the other territory one half of 1% of the amount of such Orders.

Article IX

Money Orders shall be drawn only on the authorised Money Order Offices of the respective territories, and the Chief Postmaster of the Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony shall furnish to the Administrator of the Trust Territory of Nauru a list of such offices and shall from time to time notify any addition to or change in such list.

Article X

Every Money Order and Advice shall contain the name of the office at which it is intended that payment shall be made, and no Order shall be issued unless the applicant furnishes the forename and surname, or both the first and second names of the person to whom the amount is to be paid, and his own forename, surname and address, or the name of the firm or company who are the remitters or payees. In the case of Money Orders issued in the Trust Territory of Nauru on the application of an inhabitant of the Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony, the remitter shall also furnish his home island address, for reference purposes should the Money Order become void after his repatriation.

Article XI

Every Telegraphic Money Order shall be made payable at an Exchange Office only, and shall contain the name of the payee's village, or the name of the payee's village and island when he resides on an island other than Tarawa or Ocean Island in the telegram of advice. When a Telegraphic Money Order is payable to a firm or company the name of the remitter shall be advised as a private message in the telegram of advice.

Article XII

A remitter may obtain an advice of payment in the form numbered 4 in the Schedule to this Agreement upon prepayment of the fee defined in the

Post Office Regulations of the issuing territory. Where advice of payment is required by telegram the applicant shall repay the telegraphic charges at the time of application.

Article XIII

When an enquiry regarding the payment of a Money Order is made by either the remitter or the sender at any time within two years from the date of issue of the Money Order, the enquirer shall pay the search fee defined in the Post Office Regulations of the country of payment, and the cost of all telegrams when the enquiry is made by telegraph.

Article XIV

The following Post Offices shall be exchange Offices in the Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony :

Tarawa Post Office;
Ocean Island Post Office.

The Post Office of the Trust Territory of Nauru shall be regarded as an Exchange Office for the purposes of the Agreement.

Article XV

Lists of Money Orders issued at Nauru Post Office shall be despatched from that office, accompanied by the relative advices of ordinary Money Orders, direct to the appropriate Money Order Exchange Office in the Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony, and a copy of all such lists shall be sent to the Chief Postmaster, Tarawa.

Lists of Money Orders in the form numbered 3 in the Schedule attached to this Agreement issued in the Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony shall be despatched, accompanied by the relative advices of ordinary Money Orders, from the issuing Exchange Office direct to the Postmaster, Trust Territory of Nauru. A copy of all such lists shall be sent to the Chief Postmaster, Tarawa.

Money Order lists for each Exchange Office shall be numbered consecutively throughout the year, commencing with No. 1 at the beginning of the month of January in each year.

Article XVI

Each Office of Exchange shall promptly communicate to the other the correction of any simple error which may be discovered in the verification of any list.

When any list contains irregularities which the receiving Office shall not be able to rectify that Office shall apply to the despatching Office for an explanation and such explanation shall be forwarded without delay. Communications regarding errors or irregularities in the lists may be sent by official telegram.

Pending the receipt of an explanation, payment of Money Orders found to be irregular in any list may be suspended at the discretion of the paying office.

All communications concerning irregularities shall be copied to the Chief Postmaster, Tarawa and such copies may be forwarded by post on the form numbered 5 in the Schedule to this Agreement.

Article XVII

The Money Orders drawn by each territory on the other shall be subject, as regards payment, to the regulations which govern the payment of Inland Orders of the territory on which they were drawn. The paid Money Orders shall remain in the possession of the Territory of payment.

Article XVIII

At the close of each quarter, or as soon thereafter as practicable, an account, in duplicate, in the form numbered 6 in the Schedule to this Agreement, shall be prepared and forwarded from the Post Office of the Trust Territory of Nauru to the Chief Postmaster, Tarawa, in the Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony. The account shall show in detail the total of the lists containing the particulars of orders despatched from the Trust Territory of Nauru and received from the Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony, and particulars of any repaid or void orders. The balance due by either territory on the account shall be settled by a cheque or draft drawn on a Bank in Australia or by such other means as may mutually be agreed upon.

Article XIX

Duplicate Orders shall be issued and transfer of place of payment made only by the Post Office of the Territory on which the original Orders were drawn, and in conformity with the regulations of that territory.

Article XX

Repayment of Money Orders to remitters shall not be made until an authorisation of such repayment shall first have been obtained by the territory of issue from the territory of payment and the amounts of repaid Money Orders shall be duly credited to the former territory in the quarterly account.

It is within the province of the Post Office of each territory to determine the manner in which repayment to the remitter is to be made.

Article XXI

Money Orders which shall not have been paid within twelve months from the last day of the month of issue shall become void and the sums shall accrue to, and be at the disposal of the territory of issue. The Post Office of the Trust Territory of Nauru shall therefore enter to the credit of the Post Office of the Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony in the quarterly account all Money Orders entered on the lists received from the Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony which remain unpaid at the end of the period specified.

On the other hand, the Post Office of the Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony shall at the close of each month transmit to the Post Office of the Trust Territory of Nauru for entry in the quarterly account, a detailed statement in the form numbered 7 in the Schedule to this agreement of all Money Orders included in the lists despatched from the latter territory which under this Article have become void.

Article XXII

The Post Offices of the two territories may by mutual agreement make modifications if found expedient in matters of detail connected with the execution of this agreement in order to provide for greater security against fraud, or for the better working of the system.

Article XXIII

This Agreement shall take effect on the first day of October in the year one thousand nine hundred and sixty-three and shall continue in force until six months after either of the contracting parties shall have notified to the other its intention to terminate it.

DONE in duplicate and signed at London on September 23rd, 1963

For the Government of the United Kingdom :

(Signed) DEVONSHIRE

DONE in duplicate and signed at Canberra on the 27th day of September, 1963.

For the Government of Australia :

(Signed) ROBERT MENZIES

SCHEDULE

*Form 1 (Article IV)**Size of Form: 5" × 7"*

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| 1. This Order must be forwarded to the person to whom the amount is payable, when issued for payment in Australia, Fiji, Nauru or the G. & E. I. C. | Office
of
Issue |
| 2. Take Notice. If payment of this Order is not obtained before the end of the Twelfth Calendar Month following the month of issue, all claim to the money will be void unless a good reason for non-presentation can be given. | Money
Order No. |
| 3. Not Negotiable. The Public are warned not to negotiate money orders for strangers. | List No. |

MONEY ORDER

Pay to the person named in my Advice the sum of :

<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Shillings</i>	<i>Pence</i>	£	s	d
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State in Words

To the Post Office at

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..... Issuing Officer

Received the above sum—

The Payee must sign here in ink	}	}	Signature of Payee
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STAMP
OF ISSUING OFFICEInitials
of Paying OfficerSTAMP
OF PAYING OFFICE*Please also see the back of this Order*

Form 1—Continued

FURTHER REGULATIONS

1. When this Order is presented for payment the person presenting it must state the name of the Remitter.
2. Payment is subject to the Postmaster possessing sufficient funds.
3. If any erasure or alteration be made, or if the Order be cut, defaced or mutilated, payment may be refused.
4. If the Payee (or Remitter) requires payment (or repayment) at another office, he should forward it to the Postmaster at the office where it is payable, with a written application for a New Order for the amount payable, less the prescribed commission to be issued in exchange.
5. When the Order has been paid, to whomsoever it is paid, the Chief Postmaster will not be liable for any claim.

Form 1A (Article IV)

Size of Form: 5" x 7"

1. This advice must be signed and stamped by the Postmaster who issues the Order and must be stamped with the date of receipt by the Postmaster on whose office it is drawn and the latter must retain it until the corresponding order has been presented and paid or has been forfeited.

Office
of
Issue

Money
Order No.

List No.

ADVICE OF MONEY ORDER

Drawn by the above named office, for the sum of :

<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Shillings</i>	<i>Pence</i>	<i>£</i>	<i>s</i>	<i>d</i>
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Upon the office at

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..... Issuing Officer

Payee : (viz. the person to whom the order is payable)

CHRISTIAN NAME

SURNAME

Full postal Address }
 (for Through Order only) }

Remitter : (viz. the person who sent the money)

CHRISTIAN NAME

SURNAME

STAMP
OF ISSUING OFFICE

STAMP
OF PAYING OFFICER

Form 2 (Article V)

Size of Form: 8" x 6"

TELEGRAPHIC MONEY ORDER No.

NOT NEGOTIABLE—Public warned not to cash this for a stranger

Upon presentation of this MONEY ORDER at the Post Office of
 you will receive the sum of :

<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Shillings</i>	<i>Pence</i>	£	s	d
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Telegraphed from Post Office
 Issuing Officer

DATE OF ISSUE	If this Order be not paid within twelve calendar months from the date of issue it becomes void	DATE OF PAYMENT
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Received the above-mentioned amount

 Signature of Payee

(See Over)

SENDER'S PRIVATE MESSAGE

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Form 2—Continued

THE FOLLOWING MONEY ORDER REGULATIONS APPLY

- I. When this Order is presented for payment the person presenting it must give the name of the Remitter.
- II. Payment will be subject to the possession by the Postmaster of sufficient funds.
- III. If any erasure or alteration be made, or if the Order be cut, defaced, or mutilated, payment may be refused.
- IV. If the Payee (or Remitter) requires payment (or repayment) at another Office, he should forward it to the Postmaster of the office where it is payable, with a written application for a new Order for the amount, less the prescribed commission, to be issued in exchange.
- V. When the Order has been paid, to whomsoever it is paid, the Chief Postmaster will not be liable to any further claim.

Form 2A (Article V)

Size of Form: 8" x 6"

TELEGRAPHIC MONEY ORDER

Upon presentation of the corresponding Money Order at pay to the person named the sum of :

<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Shillings</i>	<i>Pence</i>	<i>£</i>	<i>s</i>	<i>d</i>
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telegraphed from Post Office
..... Issuing Officer

Name and Address of Payee	
.....	
Name of Remitter	
.....	
Telmo No.	Code Word

DATE OF
ISSUE

DATE OF
PAYMENT

SENDER'S PRIVATE MESSAGE

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Form 3 (Articles V and XV)

Size of Form : 13" x 8"

List No.

Sheet No.

DATE STAMP OF
DESPATCHING OFFICE

A LIST OF MONEY ORDERS ISSUED AT THE OFFICE OF PAYABLE IN
DESPATCHED BY THE MAIL/AIR OF THE 19... DATE OF ARRIVAL OF"

<i>Current No. of International Order</i>	<i>No. of Order</i>	<i>Date of issue</i>	<i>Office of Payment</i>	<i>Name of Payee (also full postal Address for "Through Orders")</i>	<i>Name of Remitter</i>	<i>Amount of Order £ s d</i>	<i>Value in Currency</i>	<i>Date of Payment</i>
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Form 4 (Article XII)

Size of Form: 7" x 4"

ADVICE OF PAYMENT

STAMP OF OFFICE OF ORIGIN

POST OFFICE

Money Order No.
Amount of Order
Issued by the Post Office of
.....
on the, 19...
Payable to M.....
at

To
..... Place of destination
..... Country of destination

ON POSTAL SERVICE

Reverse of Form 4

The undersigned certifies that the Money Order described on the other side was duly paid on the, 19.....

STAMP OF PAYING OFFICE

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Signature of the payee,
or of paying officer

This advice must be signed by the payee, or if the regulations of the country of destination allow it, by the paying officer, and returned by the first post to the Chief Postmaster, Tarawa.

Form 5 (Article XVI)

Size of Form: 8" x 6"

MONEY ORDER BRANCH

POSTAL DEPARTMENT

Registered No.

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International No. List of
Original No. Date of Issue
Payee Office of Issue
Remitter..... Office of Payment

Sir,

With reference to the Money Order described above, please see Item No. * on the reverse side of this memorandum

Yours faithfully,

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for Chief Postmaster

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REPLY

* The item, in addition to being named on the front, should be initialled on the back in confirmation so as to obviate the possibility of error such as the naming of, say Item 5, when Item 6 was intended.

Reverse of Form 5

1. Repayment having been applied for, please cause the relative advice to be returned to this office by the next mail and the necessary action taken to prevent payment being made by duplicate order.
 2. Please cause payment to be made to
instead of as originally advised
 3. Please expedite payment by means of duplicate order or advice if necessary.
The address of the Payee is
 4. Payment cannot be effected owing to
..... Please request the remitter to furnish a more precise address of the Payee, or state his wishes with regard to the disposal of the order.
 5. If Money Order has been paid, please state date of payment and to what signature it was paid; if unpaid, please state the reason for non-payment.
 6. The attached advice is returned at the request of the payee. You are hereby authorized to repay the Money Order.
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Form 6 (Article XVIII)

Size of Form: 13" × 8"

GENERAL ACCOUNT OF MONEY ORDER BUSINESS TRANSACTED BETWEEN THE POST OFFICE OF THE TRUST TERRITORY OF NAURU AND THE POST OFFICE OF THE GILBERT AND ELLICE ISLANDS COLONY

<i>Credit of the Trust Territory of Nauru</i>	<i>Credit of Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony</i>
£ s d	£ s d
Total amount of Orders advised by Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony . .	Total amount of Orders advised by Nauru . . .
£ s d	£ s d
To be deducted :	To be deducted :
Repaid Orders issued in Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony	Repaid Orders issued in Nauru . .
Void Orders issued in Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony	Void Orders issued in Nauru
Total credit of Nauru	Total credit of Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony . . .
Balance in favour of Nauru .	Balance in favour of Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony .

Form 7: Article XXI

Size of Form: 8" x 6"

FORFEITED MONEY ORDERS

Lists of Money Orders issued during the quarter ending 19..... which, not having been paid within twelve months after the month in which they were issued, have become void.

<i>Date of Issue</i>	<i>No.</i>	<i>Where issued</i>	<i>Where payable</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>No. of List</i>	<i>Date of List</i>
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Post Office,,
..... 19.....

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Postmaster