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**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
and
UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN
AND NORTHERN IRELAND**

**Exchange of notes constituting an agreement concerning
the use of Beane Field in St. Lucia. London, 20 August
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et
ROYAUME-UNI DE GRANDE-BRETAGNE
ET D'IRLANDE DU NORD**

**Échange de notes constituant un accord relatif à l'utilisa-
tion de l'aéroport de Beane Field à Sainte-Lucie.
Londres, 20 août 1964**

Texte officiel anglais.

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No. 7694. EXCHANGE OF NOTES CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND CONCERNING THE USE OF BEANE FIELD IN ST. LUCIA. LONDON, 20 AUGUST 1964

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The American Ambassador to the British Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs

No. 9

August 20, 1964

Your Excellency :

I have the honor to refer to recent conversations between representatives of the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland concerning the future status and use of Beane Field in St. Lucia. Although the two Governments have today agreed² that Beane Field should no longer be a defence area under the Agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Federation of the West Indies, signed at Port of Spain on the 10th of February 1961,³ (hereinafter referred to as "the 1961 Agreement"), the United States Government nevertheless wish to enjoy the following rights at Beane Field Airport :

(a) If Beane Field Airport is open for civil use, aircraft owned or operated by or on behalf of the United States Government shall at all times be entitled to unrestricted use of the airport, and in respect of such use the following provisions of the 1961 Agreement shall be applicable : Article V ; Article VII (it being understood that no charges shall be payable for any airport services provided) ; Articles VIII ; IX and X.

(b) If Beane Field Airport is not open for civil use, the United States Government may, upon notifying the Governments of the United Kingdom and St. Lucia, use the airport at its expense under the provisions of the 1961 Agreement. Administrative arrangements for United States use of the Airport under this paragraph will be made between the appropriate authorities of the United States Government and the Government of St. Lucia.

¹ Came into force on 20 August 1964 by the exchange of the said notes.

² See the exchange of notes published on p. 368 of this volume.

³ United Nations, *Treaty Series*, Vol. 409, p. 67, and p. 368 of this volume.

(c) If the United States Government uses Beane Field Airport pursuant to the preceding sub-paragraph, the airport will be open for civil use during periods of United States use under the terms of the Agreement of February 24, 1948,¹ between the Government of the United Kingdom and the United States Government concerning the opening of certain military air bases in the Caribbean Area and Bermuda to use by civil aircraft. The United States Government shall give notice as far in advance as is practicable if it becomes necessary to limit or suspend civil air operations at Beane Field pursuant to Article VI of that Agreement.

(d) The United States Government and United States contractors may, without charge, use the pier and warehouse at Beane Field for the purposes of the 1961 Agreement.

2. If the foregoing provisions are acceptable to the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, I have the honor to propose that this Note and Your Excellency's reply to that effect shall constitute an Agreement between our two Governments which shall enter into force on this day's date.

Accept, Excellency, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

David BRUCE

His Excellency Rt. Hon. R. A. Butler, C.H., M.P.
Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs
London

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The British Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs to the American Ambassador

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August 20, 1964

Your Excellency,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your Note No. 9 of the 20th of August, 1964 which reads as follows :

[See note I]

In reply I have the honour to state that the foregoing provisions are acceptable to the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern

¹ United Nations, *Treaty Series*, Vol. 73, p. 143.

Ireland who therefore agree that Your Excellency's Note and the present reply shall constitute an Agreement between the two Governments which shall enter into force on this day's date.

I have the honour to be, with the highest consideration,

Your Excellency's obedient Servant,

For the Secretary of State :

G. E. HALL

His Excellency the Honourable David K. E. Bruce, C.B.E.
etc., etc., etc.