

No. 7594

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

**Exchange of letters constituting an agreement relative to the inheritance of international rights and obligations by the Government of Malta. Floriana, Valletta, and Valletta, 31 December 1964**

*Official text: English.*

*Registered by Malta on 19 February 1965.*

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

**Échange de lettres constituant un accord relatif à la succession du Gouvernement maltais à des droits et obligations d'ordre international. Floriana-La Valette et La Valette, 31 décembre 1964**

*Texte officiel anglais.*

*Enregistré par Malte le 19 février 1965.*

No. 7594. EXCHANGE OF LETTERS CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT<sup>1</sup> BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF MALTA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND RELATIVE TO THE INHERITANCE OF INTERNATIONAL RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS BY THE GOVERNMENT OF MALTA. FLORIANA, VALLETTA, AND VALLETTA, 31 DECEMBER 1964

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I

*Letter from the High Commissioner for the United Kingdom in Malta  
to the Prime Minister of Malta*

BRITISH HIGH COMMISSION  
FLORIANA, MALTA, G. C.

31st December, 1964

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to the Malta Independence Act 1964 and to state that it is the understanding of the Government of the United Kingdom that the Government of Malta are in agreement with the following provisions :

- (i) all obligations and responsibilities of the Government of the United Kingdom which arise from any valid international instrument shall, as from the 21st September, 1964, be assumed by the Government of Malta insofar as such instruments may be held to have application to Malta ;
- (ii) the rights and benefits heretofore enjoyed by the Government of the United Kingdom in virtue of the application fo any such international instrument to Malta shall, as from the 21st September, 1964, be enjoyed by the Government of Malta.

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<sup>1</sup> Came into force on 31 December 1964 by the exchange of the said letters.

I shall be grateful for your confirmation that the Government of Malta are in agreement with the provisions aforesaid and that this letter and your reply shall constitute an agreement between the two Governments.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your most obedient, humble Servant,

(Signed) Edward WAKEFIELD  
High Commissioner

The Hon. Dr. G. Borg Olivier, LL.D.  
Auberge d'Aragon  
Valletta

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*Letter from the Prime Minister of Malta  
to the High Commissioner for the United Kingdom in Malta*

AUBERGE D'ARAGON  
VALLETTA, MALTA

31st December, 1964

Your Excellency,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of Your Excellency's letter of the 31st December, 1964, which reads as follows :

[See letter I]

I have pleasure in confirming that the Government of Malta are in agreement with the provisions set out in your letter and that your letter and this reply shall constitute an agreement between the two Governments.

I have the honour to be,

With the highest consideration, Your Excellency's obedient servant,

(Signed) George BORG OLIVIER  
Prime Minister

His Excellency Sir Edward Wakefield, Bt., C.I.E.  
British High Commissioner