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

Exchange of notes constituting an agreement extending  
to Tonga the provisions of the Extradition Treaty  
signed at London on 22 December 1931. Washington,  
2 June and 6 July 1966

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ROYAUME-UNI DE GRANDE-BRETAGNE  
ET D'IRLANDE DU NORD  
et  
ÉTATS-UNIS D'AMÉRIQUE

Échange de notes constituant un accord étendant à  
Tonga l'application du Traité d'extradition signé à  
Londres le 22 décembre 1931. Washington, 2 juin  
et 6 juillet 1966

*Texte officiel anglais.*

*Enregistré par le Royaume-Uni de Grande-Bretagne et d'Irlande du Nord le  
13 janvier 1967.*

No. 8520. EXCHANGE OF NOTES CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT <sup>1</sup> BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA EXTENDING TO TONGA THE PROVISIONS OF THE EXTRADITION TREATY SIGNED AT LONDON ON 22 DECEMBER 1931. <sup>2</sup> WASHINGTON, 2 JUNE AND 6 JULY 1966

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*Her Majesty's Ambassador at Washington to the Secretary of State of the United States of America*

BRITISH EMBASSY

No. 167

Washington, 2nd June, 1966

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to the Extradition Treaty signed at London on the 22nd of December, 1931 <sup>2</sup> between the United Kingdom and the United States. In Article 17 of that Treaty it was provided that if, after the signature of the Treaty, it was considered advisable to extend its provisions to any British Protected State, Notes should be exchanged for the purpose of effecting such extension.

By Article 2 of the same Treaty the territory of the United States for the purposes of the Treaty was deemed to be all territory wherever situated belonging to the United States, including its dependencies and all other territories under its exclusive administration or control. The Government of the United Kingdom understand this definition to include the territory of American Samoa.

I have the honour to inform Your Excellency that the Government of Tonga have expressed to the Government of the United Kingdom their wish for the conclusion of extradition arrangements permitting the surrender of fugitive criminals as between American Samoa and Tonga. To this end I am instructed by Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs to inform you that the Government of the United Kingdom now

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<sup>1</sup> Came into force on 1 August 1966, in accordance with the provisions of the said notes.

<sup>2</sup> League of Nations, *Treaty Series*, Vol. CLXIII, p. 59; Vol. CXCVII, p. 353, and Vol. CCIV, p. 464.

desire that the provisions of the Treaty of the 22nd of December 1931, should be extended to Tonga. The authority to which requisitions for the surrender of fugitive criminals who have taken refuge in Tonga should be addressed will be The Premier of Tonga.

If this proposal is acceptable to the United States Government I have the honour to suggest that the present Note and Your Excellency's reply to that effect shall be regarded as constituting an Agreement between the two Governments in this matter which shall enter into force on the 1st of August, 1966.

I avail myself of this opportunity to renew to you the assurances of my highest consideration.

Patrick DEAN

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*The Acting Secretary of State of the United States of America  
to Her Majesty's Ambassador at Washington*

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington, July 6, 1966

Excellency,

I have the honor to refer to Your Excellency's note No. 167 of June 2, 1966 in which you refer to the Extradition Treaty between the United States and the United Kingdom and in which you propose that, in accordance with the provisions of Article 17 thereof, the Treaty be extended to Tonga.

The above-mentioned proposal is acceptable to the Government of the United States. Accordingly, the Treaty shall apply to Tonga on and after August 1, 1966.

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

For the Acting Secretary of State :

Andreas F. LOWENFELD