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**UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN  
AND NORTHERN IRELAND  
and  
WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION**

**Exchange of notes constituting an agreement regarding the application in the United Kingdom of section 10 of the Convention on the privileges and immunities of the specialized agencies of the United Nations of 21 November 1947. Geneva, 12 July and 13 August 1974**

*Authentic text: English.*

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**ROYAUME-UNI DE GRANDE-BRETAGNE  
ET D'IRLANDE DU NORD  
et  
ORGANISATION MONDIALE DE LA SANTÉ**

**Échange de notes constituant un accord relatif à l'application au Royaume-Uni de la section 10 de la Convention sur les privilèges et immunités des institutions spécialisées des Nations Unies en date du 21 novembre 1947. Genève, 12 juillet et 13 août 1974**

*Texte authentique : anglais.*

*Enregistré par le Royaume-Uni de Grande-Bretagne et d'Irlande du Nord le 27 juillet 1976.*

EXCHANGE OF NOTES CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT<sup>1</sup> BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND AND THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION REGARDING THE APPLICATION IN THE UNITED KINGDOM OF SECTION 10 OF THE CONVENTION ON THE PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES OF THE SPECIALIZED AGENCIES OF THE UNITED NATIONS OF 21 NOVEMBER 1947<sup>2</sup>

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*The United Kingdom Permanent Representative to the Office of the United Nations and other international organisations at Geneva to the Director-General of the World Health Organization*

UNITED KINGDOM MISSION  
GENEVA

12 July 1974

Sir,

I refer to the Convention on the privileges and immunities of the Specialised Agencies,<sup>2</sup> and in particular to Section 10 of the Convention, in view of alterations in the tax system of the United Kingdom.

I now propose that Section 10 should be interpreted and applied in the United Kingdom so as to accord the World Health Organisation a refund of car tax and value added tax on the purchase of new motor cars of United Kingdom manufacture, and of value added tax paid on the supply of goods or services necessary for its official activities and which are supplied on a recurring basis or involve considerable quantities of goods or considerable expenditure.

If the foregoing proposals are acceptable to the World Health Organisation I propose that this Note, together with your reply in that sense, shall constitute an Agreement between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the World Health Organisation which shall enter into force on the date on which the United Kingdom legislation giving effect to the Agreement comes into operation, which date will be notified to the World Health Organisation.

I avail myself of this opportunity to renew, Sir, the assurance of my highest consideration.

D. H. T. HILDYARD

<sup>1</sup> Came into force on 24 July 1975, the date on which the United Kingdom legislation giving effect to the Agreement came into operation, in accordance with the provisions of the said notes.

<sup>2</sup> United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 33, p. 261. For the final and revised texts of annexes published subsequently, see vol. 71, p. 318; vol. 79, p. 326; vol. 117, p. 386; vol. 275, p. 298; vol. 314, p. 308; vol. 323, p. 364; vol. 327, p. 326; vol. 371, p. 266; vol. 423, p. 284; vol. 559, p. 348; and vol. 645, p. 340.

## II

*The Director-General of the World Health Organization to the United Kingdom Permanent Representative to the Office of the United Nations and other international organisations at Geneva*

WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION  
GENEVA

13 August 1974

Your Excellency,

I have the honour to refer to your Excellency's Note of 12 July 1974 which reads as follows:

[See note I]

I have the honour to inform you that the foregoing proposals are acceptable to the World Health Organization, who therefore agree that Your Excellency's Note and the present reply shall constitute an Agreement between the Organization and the Government of the United Kingdom which shall enter into force on the date on which the United Kingdom legislation giving effect to the Agreement comes into operation.

I have the honour to be, Sir, Your obedient Servant,

H. MAHLER  
Director-General

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