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**UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN
AND NORTHERN IRELAND
and
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY**

**Agreement concerning host nation support during crisis or
war. Signed at Bonn on 13 December 1983**

Authentic texts: English and German.

*Registered by the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland on
6 August 1985.*

**ROYAUME-UNI DE GRANDE-BRETAGNE
ET D'IRLANDE DU NORD
et
RÉPUBLIQUE FÉDÉRALE D'ALLEMAGNE**

**Accord relatif à l'appui du pays hôte en cas de crise ou de
guerre. Signé à Bonn le 13 décembre 1983**

Textes authentiques : anglais et allemand.

*Enregistré par le Royaume-Uni de Grande-Bretagne et d'Irlande du Nord le
6 août 1985.*

AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY CONCERNING HOST NATION SUPPORT DURING CRISIS OR WAR

The Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany;

Conscious of their obligations under the North Atlantic Treaty of 4 April 1949²;

Convinced that the defence capabilities of the North Atlantic Alliance will be enhanced by Host Nation Support during times of crisis or war;

Taking account of the provisions of the Agreement of 19 June 1951³ between the Parties to the North Atlantic Treaty regarding the Status of their Forces (NATO SOFA) and the Agreement of 3 August 1959⁴ to Supplement the Agreement between the Parties to the North Atlantic Treaty regarding the Status of their Forces with respect to Foreign Forces Stationed in the Federal Republic of Germany (Supplementary Agreement);

Have agreed as follows:

Article 1. TYPE AND EXTENT OF BRITISH REINFORCEMENTS

1. In times of crisis or war, the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland in agreement with the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany intends to reinforce its forces stationed in the Federal Republic of Germany in excess of the effective strength permitted under Article 1 of the Convention of 23 October 1954⁵ on the Presence of Foreign Forces in the Federal Republic of Germany, in accordance with current NATO reinforcement plans.

2. For the purpose of this Agreement, the Contracting Parties shall jointly determine when a crisis or war occurs. The deployment of reinforcement forces shall be the subject of consultations between the Contracting Parties and NATO in accordance with Articles 3 and 5 of the North Atlantic Treaty of 4 April 1949.

Article 2. TYPE AND EXTENT OF GERMAN SUPPORT

1. In order to facilitate the support of reinforced Armed Forces of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and their civilian component in the Federal Republic of Germany, the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany intends, subject to technical arrangements to be concluded between the Secretary of State for Defence of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Federal Minister of Defence of the Federal Republic of Germany, to render the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland civilian support during times of crisis or war.

¹ Came into force on 13 December 1983 by signature, in accordance with article 4 (1).

² United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 34, p. 243.

³ *Ibid.*, vol. 199, p. 67.

⁴ *Ibid.*, vol. 481, p. 262.

⁵ *Ibid.*, vol. 334, p. 3.

2. Such support shall be provided in accordance with applicable laws and regulations of the Federal Republic of Germany and to the extent possible and compatible with the vital interests of the civilian population on the same terms and conditions as support for the Bundeswehr.

Article 3. COSTS

The Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland shall bear the costs incurred by the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany in implementing this Agreement. Details shall be regulated by the technical arrangements referred to in Article 2.

Article 4. ENTRY INTO FORCE AND TERMINATION

1. This Agreement shall enter into force upon signature. It shall remain in force for the duration of the North Atlantic Treaty and may be amended at any time by mutual consent. Amendments shall be in writing.

2. This Agreement may be terminated by either Contracting Party giving a twelve months' previous notice in writing.

DONE at Bonn this thirteenth day of December 1983 in duplicate in the English and German languages, both texts being equally authoritative.

For the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain
and Northern Ireland:

JOCK TAYLOR

For the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany:

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