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**AUSTRALIA  
and  
NORWAY**

**Agreement for the exchange of money orders. Signed at  
Melbourne on 27 March 1985**

*Authentic text: English.*

*Registered by Australia on 7 July 1986.*

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## AGREEMENT<sup>1</sup> BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF AUSTRALIA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF NORWAY FOR THE EXCHANGE OF MONEY ORDERS

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The Government of Australia and the Government of Norway, desiring to maintain an agreement for the exchange of Money Orders, the undersigned duly authorised by their respective Governments, have agreed upon the following articles:

*Article 1.* There shall be a regular exchange of money orders between Norway and Australia.

*Article 2.* The exchange of money orders shall be performed by the exchange offices designated for this purpose by each Postal Administration.

*Article 3.* (1) The amounts of money orders listed in both directions shall be expressed in Australian currency. This currency may, however, be subject to alteration by mutual consent of the two Postal Administrations if they consider it necessary.

(2) The maximum amount of each money order shall be determined by mutual consent between the two Postal Administrations.

*Article 4.* All payments for money orders whether to or by the public shall be made in the legal money of the country of issue or payment as the case may be.

*Article 5.* (1) Each Postal Administration shall have the power to fix the charges to be collected by it, including fees for advice of payment.

(2) Each Postal Administration shall retain its own charges, but each Postal Administration shall pay the other one half of one percent on the amount of money orders issued in its country and advised to the other country.

*Article 6.* The manner and conditions of issuing and paying money orders shall be governed, as regards issue, by the regulations existing in the country of issue and, as regards payment, by the regulations existing in the country of payment.

*Article 7.* The remitter of a money order may apply for an advice of payment of the order at the time of issue.

*Article 8.* (1) The period of validity of money orders shall be fixed by the Postal Administration of origin and shall be specified in a supplementary advice to the other country. After expiration of this period money orders shall lose their validity and the amounts shall be placed at the disposal of the originating Postal Administration in a list of unpaid money orders.

(2) Repayment of a money order shall not be made to the remitter until it has been ascertained, through the paying Postal Administration, that the original has not been and will not be paid.

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<sup>1</sup> Came into force on 27 March 1985 by signature, in accordance with article 13 (1).

*Article 9.* Each Postal Administration may exchange money orders with other countries with which it does not maintain the direct exchange of money orders, under the conditions to be settled by mutual consent between the two Postal Administrations and through the medium of the other Postal Administration provided that the latter maintains the exchange of money orders with those countries.

*Article 10.* Accounts relating to money orders shall be prepared quarterly and settled in accordance with the conditions mutually consented to by the two Postal Administrations.

*Article 11.* When either of the Postal Administrations finds itself obliged, owing to extraordinary circumstances, temporarily to suspend the money order service, either wholly or in part, it shall at once notify that fact, if necessary by telegraph, to the other Postal Administration.

*Article 12.* Matters necessary to insure the execution of the present Agreement shall be settled by mutual consent between the two Postal Administrations.

*Article 13.* (1) The present Agreement shall enter into force upon signature.

(2) The present Agreement shall continue in force until twelve months after either of the Contracting Parties shall have notified the other of its intention to terminate it.

*Article 14.* This Agreement shall terminate and replace, as between the Contracting Parties to the present Agreement, the Convention respecting the Exchange of Money Orders between the Commonwealth of Australia and Norway, signed in Christiania on 15 December 1909<sup>1</sup> and in Melbourne on 27 April 1910.<sup>2</sup>

DONE in duplicate and signed at Melbourne on this twenty-seventh day of March, one thousand nine hundred and eighty-five.

[Signed — Signé]<sup>3</sup>  
For the Government  
of Australia

[Signed — Signé]<sup>4</sup>  
For the Government  
of Norway

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<sup>1</sup> Should read "13 December 1909" — Devrait se lire «13 décembre 1909».

<sup>2</sup> *British and Foreign State Papers*, vol. 103, p. 461.

<sup>3</sup> Signed by D. H. Eltringham — Signé par D. H. Eltringham.

<sup>4</sup> Signed by Kolbjorn Stromsnes — Signé par Kolbjorn Stromsnes.