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and
INTER-AMERICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK**

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EXCHANGE OF NOTES CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRIT-
AIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND AND THE INTER-AMERICAN DE-
VELOPMENT BANK CONCERNING CERTAIN EXEMPTIONS FROM
DUTIES OF CUSTOMS OR EXCISE

I

*Her Majesty's Ambassador at Washington to the President
of the Inter-American Development Bank*

BRITISH EMBASSY
WASHINGTON

20 May 1980

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to the Agreement establishing the Inter-American Development Bank, done at Washington, D.C., on 8 April 1959, as amended,² which was accepted on 9 July 1976 by the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland. Discussions have taken place between representatives of the Inter-American Development Bank and the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland concerning certain exemptions from duties of customs or excise, and I have the honour to inform you that the Government of the United Kingdom are prepared to conclude an agreement in the following terms:

Staff members of the Inter-American Development Bank at the time of first taking up their post in the United Kingdom shall enjoy exemption from duties (whether of customs or excise) and other such charges (except payments for services) in respect of import of their furniture and personal effects (including one motor car each) in their ownership or possession or already ordered by them and intended for their personal use or for their establishment. Such goods shall normally be imported within three months of the first entry of the staff member into the United Kingdom; an extension of this period will however be granted where justified. If staff members on the termination of their functions export goods to which this paragraph applies, they shall be exempt from any duty or other charge which may be imposed by reason of such export (except payments for services). The privileges referred to in this paragraph shall be subject to the conditions governing the disposal of goods imported into the United Kingdom free of duty and to the general restrictions applied in the United Kingdom to all imports and exports. The exceptions do not apply to citizens of the United Kingdom and Colonies, nor to permanent residents of the United Kingdom.

¹ Came into force on 20 December 1984, the date on which the pertinent United Kingdom legislation came into operation, in accordance with the provisions of the said notes.

² United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 389, p. 69; vol. 726, p. 338; vol. 764, p. 412; vol. 851, p. 283, and vol. 1438, No. A-5593.

If the foregoing proposal is acceptable to the Inter-American Development Bank, I have the honour to 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 Inter-American Development Bank which shall enter into force on the date on which the United Kingdom legislation giving effect to this Agreement comes into operation, which date shall be notified to the Inter-American Development Bank. I avail myself of this opportunity to renew to you, Sir, the assurance of my highest consideration.

NICHOLAS HENDERSON

II

*The President of the Inter-American Development Bank
to Her Majesty's Ambassador at Washington*

Washington, May 20, 1980

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to Your Excellency's Note of May 20, 1980 which reads as follows:

[See note I]

I have the honour to inform you that the foregoing proposal is acceptable to the Inter-American Development Bank, who therefore agree that Your Excellency's Note and the present reply shall constitute an Agreement between the Inter-American Development Bank and the Government of the United Kingdom which shall enter into force on the date on which the United Kingdom legislation giving effect to this Agreement comes into operation.

Accept, Sir, the assurance of my highest consideration.

ANTONIO ORTIZ MENA