



Treaty Series No. 85 (1980)

## Exchange of Notes

between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Republic of Turkey

terminating the Pact of Mutual Co-operation signed at Baghdad on 24 February 1955 and the Agreement on the Status of the Central Treaty Organization, National Representatives and International Staff signed at Ankara on 9 November 1960

Ankara, 2 and 4 October 1979

[The Pact and the Agreement were terminated with effect from 30 April 1979 and 26 September 1979 respectively]

*Presented to Parliament  
by the Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs  
by Command of Her Majesty  
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**EXCHANGE OF NOTES<sup>(1)</sup>  
BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OF  
GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND AND THE  
GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF TURKEY  
TERMINATING THE PACT OF MUTUAL CO-OPERATION  
SIGNED AT BAGHDAD ON 24 FEBRUARY 1955 AND THE  
AGREEMENT ON THE STATUS OF THE CENTRAL TREATY  
ORGANISATION, NATIONAL REPRESENTATIVES AND  
INTERNATIONAL STAFF SIGNED AT ANKARA ON  
9 NOVEMBER 1960**

No. 1

*The Assistant Secretary-General for Political Affairs of the  
Republic of Turkey to Her Majesty's Ambassador at Ankara*

*Ministry of Foreign Affairs,  
Ankara.*

Your Excellency,

October 2, 1979.

I have the honour to refer to:

—the Pact of Mutual Co-operation signed at Baghdad on 24th February 1955<sup>(2)</sup>, to which the States of Iran<sup>(3)</sup>, Pakistan<sup>(3)</sup> and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland later acceded ("The Baghdad Pact");

—the Agreement on the Status of the Central Treaty Organization, National Representatives and International Staff signed at Ankara on 9th November 1960<sup>(4)</sup><sup>(3)</sup>;

—the decision on 30th April 1979 of the Council of Deputies concerning the dissolution of the Central Treaty Organization; and,

—the decisions at their meetings of 16–18 May 1979 of the Liquidation Committee;

—the decisions of the Ad Hoc Committee made during their meetings between July and September 1979.

In accordance with the decisions mentioned above I have the honour to propose that:

(a) The confirmation of the dissolution of the Central Treaty Organization as of 30th April 1979, be made through the present exchange of Notes.

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<sup>(1)</sup> Similar Notes dated 2 and 9 October were exchanged between the Government of the Republic of Turkey and the Government of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan.

<sup>(2)</sup> Treaty Series No. 39 (1956), Cmnd. 9859; see also Declaration in UNTS 4788 Vol. 335, p. 205.

<sup>(3)</sup> Iran and Pakistan withdrew from the Pact and the Agreement on 12 March 1979.

<sup>(4)</sup> Treaty Series No. 13 (1963), Cmnd. 1957.

(b) All provisions of the Baghdad Pact be considered as terminated from the date of the decision of the Council of Deputies referred to above in so far as is necessary for the liquidation of the Organization.

(c) The Agreement on the status of CENTO mentioned above be also considered as terminated on 26th September 1979, the date at which liquidation was completed, without prejudice to the continuing immunity of the Organization and of the former representatives and their staffs, experts, Secretaires-General and officials of CENTO in respect of their official acts which took place prior to 26th September 1979.

If the foregoing proposals are acceptable to the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland I have the honour to propose that the present Note, together with a Note from you confirming on behalf of Your Government the acceptance of these proposals, shall constitute an agreement between our Governments.

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

AYHAN KAMEL

Assistant Secretary-General  
for Political Affairs

No. 2

*Her Majesty's Ambassador at Ankara to the Assistant Secretary-General  
for Political Affairs of the Republic of Turkey*

*British Embassy,  
Ankara:*

Your Excellency,

*4 October 1979.*

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your Note No. ISIG/ISOD-617 of 2 October 1979 concerning the termination of the Pact of Mutual Co-operation known as the Baghdad Pact(?) and the Agreement on the Status of the Central Treaty Organisation, National Representatives and International Staff(\*).

I have the honour to confirm that the proposals contained in your Note are acceptable to the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and that the said Note and this reply, together with the replies from other Governments, shall constitute an agreement between the Governments concerned.

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

DEREK DODSON