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Exchange of Notes

between the Government of the
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
and the Swiss Federal Council

concerning the Extension of the
European Convention on Extradition to
Certain Dependent Territories

Berne, 9 and 26 January 1996

[The Agreement entered into force on 15 January 1997]

*Presented to Parliament
by the Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs
by Command of Her Majesty
March 2000*

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GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND AND THE
SWISS FEDERAL COUNCIL CONCERNING THE EXTENSION OF THE
EUROPEAN CONVENTION ON EXTRADITION TO CERTAIN
DEPENDENT TERRITORIES**

No. 1

*Her Majesty's Ambassador at Berne to the Federal Councillor for
the Swiss Federal Department of Foreign Affairs*

*British Embassy
Berne*

9 January 1996

Your Excellency

I have the honour to refer to the European Convention on Extradition, opened for signature by Members of the Council of Europe on 13 December 1957¹ and to propose that, in accordance with the provisions of Article 27(4), the application of the Convention shall extend to the territories listed in the Annex to this Note, being territories for whose international relations the United Kingdom is responsible.

The reservations to Articles 27 and 28 and the notification made by the United Kingdom shall not be applicable to the Convention as hereby extended.

The remaining reservations made by the United Kingdom shall be applicable in respect of the territories listed in the Annex to this Note, except that the provisions of Article 3, paragraph 3 shall only be applicable between the Swiss Confederation and any such territory to which the application of the European Convention on the Suppression of Terrorism² has been extended.

A reference in the applicable reservations to the United Kingdom shall be read as including a reference to any territory listed in the Annex to this Note.

The reservations and declarations made by the Government of the Swiss Confederation shall also be applicable to the Convention as hereby extended.

A request for extradition of an offender found in any of the territories listed in the Annex to this Note may be made to the Governor or other competent authority of that territory, who may take the decision himself or refer the matter to the Government of the United Kingdom for their decision.

If the foregoing proposal is acceptable to the Government of the Swiss Confederation, this Note and your reply in the same sense shall constitute an Agreement between our two Governments, which shall enter into force on the date on which each of our two Governments has notified the other of the completion of their internal procedures necessary to give effect to it.

I avail myself of this opportunity to renew to your Excellency the assurance of my highest consideration.

DAVID BEATTIE

¹Treaty Series No. 97 (1991), Cm 1762.

²Treaty Series No. 93 (1978), Cmnd 7390.

ANNEX

Bermuda
British Antarctic Territory
British Indian Ocean Territory
British Virgin Islands
Cayman Islands
Falkland Islands
Gibraltar
Montserrat
St. Helena and Dependencies
South Georgia and South Sandwich Islands
Turks and Caicos Islands

No. 2

*The Federal Councillor for the Swiss Federal Department of Foreign Affairs to
Her Majesty's Ambassador at Berne*

*Berne
26 January 1996*

Your Excellency

I have the honour to refer to Your Excellency's Note dated 9 January 1996, which reads as follows:

[As in No. 1]

[Annex as in No. 1]

In reply, I have the honour to confirm that the foregoing proposal is acceptable to the Swiss Federal Council and that Your Excellency's Note and this reply shall constitute an Agreement between our two Governments which shall enter into force on the date on which each of our two Governments has notified the other of the completion of their internal procedures necessary to give effect to it.

I avail myself of this opportunity to renew to your Excellency the assurance of my highest consideration.

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