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constituting an Agreement between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the People's Republic of China Concerning the Establishment of a Consulate-General of each Country in the other at Wuhan and Belfast

Beijing, 20 February and 21 February 2014

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**EXCHANGE OF NOTES CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT  
BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT  
BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE  
PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA CONCERNING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A  
CONSULATE-GENERAL OF EACH COUNTRY IN THE OTHER AT WUHAN AND  
BELFAST**

**No.1**

*Her Majesty's Embassy at Beijing to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs for the Government of the People's Republic of China*

20 February 2014

Note No. 021/14

The Embassy of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland in China presents its compliments to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the People's Republic of China and, on behalf of the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, has the honour to propose that, with the common desire to further develop the friendly relations between the two countries, the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the People's Republic of China hereby agree to establish a Consulate-General of each country in the other as follows:

1. The Government of the People's Republic of China gives its consent to the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to establish a Consulate-General at Wuhan, with the consular district comprising of Hubei Province.
  
2. The Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland gives its consent to the Government of the People's Republic of China to establish a Consulate-General at Belfast, with the consular district comprising of Northern Ireland; and for the Consulate-General at Edinburgh to adjust its consular district to Scotland only, having been comprised of both Scotland and Northern Ireland previously. The parties agree that Article 2 of the exchange of notes on the mutual establishment of the Consulates-General of Guangzhou and Edinburgh has been duly amended.

3. In accordance with the Vienna Convention on Consular Relations of April 24 1963 and relevant laws and regulations of their respective countries, the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the People's Republic of China shall each provide the other party with the necessary assistance for the establishment of the Consulates-General, and exercising their Consular functions.

If the above agreement is confirmed by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the People's Republic of China on behalf of the Government of the People's Republic of China, this note together with the reply from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs shall constitute an Agreement between the Government of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the People's Republic of China which shall enter into force on the date of the latter's reply.

The Embassy of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland in China avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the People's Republic of China the assurances of its highest consideration.

## No.2

*Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the People's Republic of China to the Embassy of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland in China*

21 February 2014

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The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the People's Republic of China presents its compliments to the Embassy of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland in China and has the honour to acknowledge receipt of the latter's Note No.021/14 of 20 February 2014 which reads as follows:

[As in Note No.1]

On behalf of the Government of the People's Republic of China, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the People's Republic of China has the honour to confirm its agreement to the content of the above note.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the People's Republic of China avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Embassy of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland in China the assurances of its highest consideration.

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