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Exchanges of Notes

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

providing for the Reciprocal Exemption
from Road Taxes of Goods Vehicles

Ankara, 2 April and 14 August 1968

[The Agreement entered into force provisionally on 22 August 1968 and definitively
on 5 September 1968]

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**EXCHANGES OF NOTES
BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM
OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND
AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF TURKEY
PROVIDING FOR THE RECIPROCAL EXEMPTION
FROM ROAD TAXES OF GOODS VEHICLES**

No. 1

*Her Majesty's Ambassador at Ankara to The Under-Secretary,
Turkish Ministry of Foreign Affairs*

Note No. 40

*British Embassy,
Ankara, 2 April, 1968*

Your Excellency,

I have the honour to refer to discussions between representatives of the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and representatives of the Government of the Republic of Turkey concerning the regulation of the taxation of road vehicles engaged in the carriage of goods between their two countries.

2. Acting upon instructions from Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, I now have the honour to propose an agreement in the following terms:

- (1) Vehicles which fulfil all of the following conditions—
- (a) registered in the territory of one of the parties to this agreement;
 - (b) owned by persons resident outside the territory of the other party to the agreement into which the vehicle will be imported; and
 - (c) temporarily imported into the territory of the other party for the purpose of the international carriage of goods, including the carriage of goods in transit through that territory

shall be exempted from the taxes and charges levied on the circulation or possession of vehicles in that territory.

(2) This exemption shall not apply to tolls, taxes or charges on fuel used by these vehicles.

(3) The exemption provided in paragraph (1) above shall be granted in the territory of each party so long as the conditions laid down in the customs regulations in force in that territory for the temporary admission, without payment of import duties and import taxes, of vehicles covered by paragraph (1) are fulfilled.

(4) Each party may limit the duration of the exemption provided for in paragraph (1), according to the requirements of their national legislation.

(5) For the purposes of this agreement:

- (a) the term "vehicle" shall mean any mechanically propelled road vehicle designed or adapted for the carriage of goods, and all trailers for coupling to such vehicles, whether imported with the vehicle or separately;

(b) the term "territory" shall mean:

(i) in relation to the United Kingdom, England and Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland.

(ii) in relation to Turkey, the territory of the Republic of Turkey.

3. If the above proposals are acceptable to the Government of the Republic of Turkey, I have the honour to suggest that the present Note, together with Your Excellency's reply to that effect, should be regarded as constituting an Agreement between the two Governments which shall take effect on the date on which the Government of the United Kingdom shall have notified the Government of the Republic of Turkey that it has completed the processes necessary to give effect to the Agreement in the United Kingdom. This Agreement will remain in force until notice to terminate the Agreement shall be given by either party six months in advance.

ROGER ALLEN

No. 2

*The Under-Secretary, Turkish Ministry of Foreign Affairs,
to Her Majesty's Ambassador at Ankara*

Ankara, April 2, 1968

Your Excellency,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of Your Excellency's Note of April 2, 1968, which reads as follows:

[As in No. 1]

I have the honour to inform Your Excellency that the foregoing arrangements are acceptable to the Government of the Republic of Turkey.

Please accept, Your Excellency, the assurance of my highest consideration.

SADI ELDEM

No. 3

*Her Majesty's Ambassador at Ankara to the Secretary-General,
Turkish Ministry of Foreign Affairs*

No. 87

British Embassy,

Ankara, 14 August, 1968

Your Excellency,

I have the honour to refer to the Agreement constituted by the Exchange of Notes of the 2nd of April, 1968 between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Republic of Turkey concerning the regulation of the taxation of road vehicles engaged in the carriage of goods between the United Kingdom and Turkey. In particular, I refer to the provisions of paragraph 3 whereby the Agreement

shall enter into force on the date on which the Government of the United Kingdom shall have notified the Government of the Republic of Turkey that it has completed the processes necessary to give effect to the Agreement in the United Kingdom.

2. I have to inform Your Excellency that the Government of the United Kingdom have now taken the necessary steps to give effect to the Agreement in the United Kingdom. Nevertheless certain purely formal processes remain to be undertaken before the Agreement can be regarded as in force. These processes will be completed by the 5th of September, 1968.

3. Consequently, I have the honour, on instructions from Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, to propose that the Agreement shall be regarded as provisionally in force on the date referred to below and definitively in force as from the 5th of September, 1968.

4. If the above proposal is acceptable to the Government of the Republic of Turkey, I have the honour to suggest that the present Note, together with Your Excellency's reply to that effect, shall be regarded as constituting an Agreement between the two Governments in this matter which shall take effect on the 22nd of August, 1968.

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

ROGER ALLEN

No. 4

*The Secretary-General, Turkish Ministry of Foreign Affairs, to
Her Majesty's Ambassador at Ankara*

Ankara, 14 August, 1968

Your Excellency,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of Your Excellency's Note dated August 14, 1968 as follows:

[As in No. 3]

I would like to inform Your Excellency that the above proposal is acceptable to the Turkish Government.

I avail myself of this opportunity to renew to Your Excellency the assurance of my highest and most distinguished consideration.

ZEKI KUNERALP

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