TELECOMMUNICATIONS



Treaty Series No. 53 (1969)

Agreement

terminating the Commonwealth Telegraphs Agreements signed at London on 11 May 1948 and 25 July 1963

London, 27 January 1969

[The Agreement entered into force on 1 April 1969]

Presented to Parliament
by the Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs
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AGREEMENT

TERMINATING THE COMMONWEALTH TELEGRAPHS AGREEMENTS SIGNED AT LONDON ON 11 MAY, 1948 AND 25 JULY, 1963

The Governments signatories to this Agreement;

Being Partner Governments to the Commonwealth Telegraphs Agreement 1948(1) and the Commonwealth Telegraphs Agreement 1963(2);

The Commonwealth Telecommunications Organisation having been established to replace the existing arrangements under the aforesaid Agreements; and

A Commonwealth Telecommunications Council and a Commonwealth Telecommunications Bureau, which has the legal capacity of a body corporate in the United Kingdom, having been established within the aforesaid Organisation;

Agree as follows:

ARTICLE 1

The Commonwealth Telegraphs Agreement 1948, the Commonwealth Telegraphs Agreement 1963 and the Agreements entered into pursuant to the provisions of clause 6 of the Commonwealth Telegraphs Agreement 1948 are hereby terminated.

ARTICLE 2

Accounts in respect of the period prior to the entry into force of this Agreement which have not been settled under the Agreements entered into pursuant to clause 6 of the Commonwealth Telegraphs Agreement 1948 shall, as soon as possible after entry into force of this Agreement, if not already made up be made up by the National Bodies of the Governments parties to this Agreement and settled between them as nearly as may be in accordance with the provisions of the said Agreements entered into pursuant to clause 6 of the Commonwealth Telegraphs Agreement 1948.

ARTICLE 3

The costs of any pension or gratuity payable or which may become payable to any person in respect of his employment with the former Commonwealth Telecommunications Board or with the Commonwealth Telecommunications Bureau and of any pension or gratuity payable to any dependant of any such person and any increases in such pensions or gratuities as may from time to time be agreed by the Commonwealth Telecommunications Council shall, in the same proportions as the Governments parties to this Agreement contribute to the expenses of the Commonwealth Telecommunications Council, be paid to the Commonwealth Telecommunications Bureau for disbursement by the Bureau to the persons to whom any such pension or gratuity is payable.

⁽¹⁾ Cmd. 7582.

⁽²⁾ Cmnd. 2144.

ARTICLE 4

By their acceptance of this Agreement the Governments parties hereto accept it on their own behalf and on behalf of their National Bodies and in respect of the territories for the international relations of which any such Government is responsible.

ARTICLE 5

This Agreement shall come into force on 1 April, 1969.

In witness whereof the undersigned, being duly authorised thereto by their respective Governments, have signed this Agreement.

Done at London this 27th day of January, 1969 in a single original which shall be deposited in the archives of the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, which shall transmit certified copies thereof to all signatory Governments and to the Commonwealth Secretary-General.

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