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Exchanges of Notes

between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland extending the Exchange of Notes Concerning the Use of Wideawake Airfield on Ascension Island by Civil Aircraft (Air Links and Alternate Aerodrome Agreement), done at Washington on 6 June 2016

Notes No 1 & 2: Washington, 28 September and 29 September 2021

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Notes No 5 & 6: Washington, 28 December and 29 December 2022

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**EXCHANGES OF NOTES BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE
UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND
EXTENDING THE EXCHANGE OF NOTES CONCERNING THE USE OF
WIDEAWAKE AIRFIELD ON ASCENSION ISLAND BY CIVIL
AIRCRAFT (AIR LINKS AND ALTERNATE AERODROME
AGREEMENT), DONE AT WASHINGTON ON 6 JUNE 2016**

Note No 1

Department of State of the United States of America to the British Embassy, Washington

*Washington
28 September 2021*

The Department of State of the United States of America has the honor to refer the Embassy of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to the Agreement Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland Concerning the Use of Wideawake Airfield on Ascension Island by Civil Aircraft, effected by exchange of notes at Washington, June 6, 2016, with Attachment and Annex, and entered into force on that date, with effect from September 30, 2014 (the "Agreement").

The Government of the United States proposes that the Agreement shall continue in force for a period of one additional year from September 30, 2021, to September 30, 2022.

If the Government of the United Kingdom accepts this proposal, the Department of State further proposes that this note and the British Embassy's affirmative note in reply shall constitute an agreement between the two governments, which shall enter into force on the date of the reply.

Note No 2

British Embassy, Washington to the Department of State of the United States of America

*Washington
29 September 2021*

British Embassy Note No:- 069/2021

The Embassy of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland presents its compliments to the United States Department of State and has the honour to acknowledge receipt of the Department's Note, dated 28 September 2021, proposing an agreement to extend the Agreement Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland Concerning the Use of Wideawake Airfield on Ascension Island by Civil Aircraft, effected by exchange of notes at Washington June 6, 2016, with Attachment and Annex, and entered into force on that date, with effect from September 30, 2014 (the "Agreement"), which reads as follows:

"The Department of State of the United States of America has the honor to refer the Embassy of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to the Agreement Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the United Kingdom Concerning the Use of Wideawake Airfield on Ascension Island by Civil Aircraft, effected by an exchange of notes at Washington, June 6, 2016, with Attachment and -2- Annex, and entered into force on that date, with effect from September 30, 2014 (the "Agreement").

The Government of the United States proposes that the Agreement shall continue in force for a period of one additional year from September 30, 2021, to September 30, 2022. If the Government of the United Kingdom accepts this proposal, the Department of State further proposes that this note and the British Embassy's affirmative note in reply shall constitute an agreement between the two governments, which shall enter into force on the date of the reply."

The Embassy has the honor to confirm that the abovementioned proposal is acceptable to the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and that the Department's Note, and this Note in reply shall together constitute an agreement between the two Governments, which shall enter into force on the date of this Note.

Note No 3

Department of State of the United States of America to the British Embassy, Washington

*Washington
7 October 2022*

The Department of States presents its compliments to the Embassy of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and has the honor to refer to the Agreement Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland Concerning the Use of Wideawake Airfield on Ascension Island by Civil Aircraft, effected by exchange of notes at Washington on June 6, 2016, with Attachment and Annex, and entered into force on that date, with effect from September 30, 2014, as extended by agreement through exchange of notes (the "Agreement"). The Department notes that the Agreement is currently due to expire on September 30, 2022.

The Department has the honor to propose on behalf of the Government of the United States of America that the Agreement shall continue in force for a period of three additional months from September 30, 2022 to December 31, 2022.

If the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland accepts this proposal, the Department has the further honor to propose that this note and the British Embassy's affirmative note in reply shall constitute an agreement between the two governments, which shall enter into force on the date of the reply, with effect from September 30, 2022.

Note No 4

British Embassy, Washington to the Department of State of the United States of America

*Washington DC
17 October 2022*

Note 077/2022

This note replaces 073/2022 sent in error.

The Embassy of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland presents its compliments to the United States Department of State and has the honour to acknowledge receipt of the Department's Note, dated October 7 2022, proposing an agreement to extend the Agreement Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland Concerning the Use of Wideawake Airfield on Ascension Island by Civil Aircraft, effected by exchange of notes at Washington June 6, 2016, with Attachment and Annex, and entered into force on that date, with effect from September 30, 2014 (the "Agreement"), which reads as follows:

"The Department of States presents its compliments to the Embassy of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and has the honor to refer to the Agreement Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland Concerning the Use of Wideawake Airfield on Ascension Island by Civil Aircraft, effected by exchange of notes at Washington on June 6, 2016, with Attachment and Annex, and entered into force on that date, with effect from September 30, 2014, as extended by agreement through exchange of notes (the "Agreement"). The Department notes that the Agreement is currently due to expire on September 30, 2022.

The Department has the honor to propose on behalf of the Government of the United States of America that the Agreement shall continue in force for a

period of three additional months from September 30, 2022 to December 31, 2022.

If the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland accepts this proposal, the Department has the further honor to propose that this note and the British Embassy's affirmative note in reply shall constitute an agreement between the two governments, which shall enter into force on the date of the reply, with effect from September 30, 2022."

The Embassy has the honor to confirm that the abovementioned proposal is acceptable to the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and that the Department's Note, and this Note in reply shall together constitute an agreement between the two Governments, which shall enter into force on the date of this reply, with effect from September 30, 2022.

The Embassy of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the United States Department of State the assurances of its highest consideration.

Note No 5

Department of State of the United States of America to the British Embassy, Washington

*Washington
28 December 2022*

The Department of State presents its compliments to the Embassy of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and has the honor to refer to the Agreement Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland Concerning the Use of Wideawake Airfield on Ascension Island by Civil Aircraft, effected by exchange of notes at Washington on June 6, 2016, with Attachment and Annex, and entered into force on that date, with effect from September 30,

2014, as extended by agreement effected most recently through exchange of notes at Washington, October 7 and October 17, 2022, (the "Agreement"). The Department notes the Agreement is currently due to expire on December 31, 2022.

The Department has the honor to propose on behalf of the Government of the United States of America that the Agreement shall continue in force for a period of six additional months from December 31, 2022, to June 30, 2023.

If the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland accepts this proposal, the Department has the further honor to propose that this note and the British Embassy's affirmative note in reply shall constitute an agreement between the two governments, which shall enter into force on the date of the reply.

The Department avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Embassy of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland the assurances of its highest consideration.

Note No 6

British Embassy, Washington to the Department of State of the United States of America

*Washington DC
29 December 2022*

British Embassy Note No:- 086/2022

The Embassy of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland presents its compliments to the Department of State of the United States of America and has the honour to acknowledge receipt of the Department's Note, dated December 29 2022, proposing an agreement to extend the Agreement Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland Concerning the Use of Wideawake Airfield on Ascension Island by Civil Aircraft, effected by exchange of notes at Washington June 6, 2016, with Attachment and Annex, and entered into force on that date, with effect from September 30, 2014 as extended by agreement effected most recently through exchange of notes at Washington, October 7 and October 17, 2022 (the "Agreement"), which reads as follows:

"The Department of State presents its compliments to the Embassy of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and has the honor to refer to the Agreement Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland Concerning the Use of Wideawake Airfield on Ascension Island by Civil Aircraft, effected by exchange of notes at Washington June 6, 2016, with Attachment and Annex, and entered into force on that date, with effect from September 30, 2014, as extended by agreement effected most recently through exchange of notes at Washington, October 7 and October 17, 2022, (the "Agreement"). The Department notes the Agreement is currently due to expire on December 31, 2022,

The Department has the honor to propose on behalf of the Government of the United States of America that the Agreement shall continue in force for a period of six additional months from December 31, 2022, to June 30, 2023.

If the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland accepts this proposal, the Department has the further honor to propose that this note and the British Embassy's affirmative note in reply shall constitute an agreement between the two Governments, which shall enter into force on the date of the reply.

The Department avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Embassy of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland the assurances of its highest consideration."

The Embassy has the honour to confirm that the abovementioned proposal is acceptable to the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and that the Department's Note and this Note in reply shall together constitute an agreement between the two Governments, which shall enter into force on the date of this Note.

The Embassy of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the United States Department of State the assurances of its highest consideration.

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