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**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
and  
UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN  
AND NORTHERN IRELAND**

**Exchange of notes constituting an agreement relating to the  
establishment and operation of tracking stations within  
the United Kingdom. London, 20 January 1961**

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**ÉTATS-UNIS D'AMÉRIQUE  
et  
ROYAUME-UNI DE GRANDE-BRETAGNE  
ET D'IRLANDE DU NORD**

**Échange de notes constituant un accord relatif à la création  
et à l'exploitation de stations de repérage au Royaume-  
Uni. Londres, 20 janvier 1961**

*Texte officiel anglais.*

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No. 5783. EXCHANGE OF NOTES CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT<sup>1</sup> BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND RELATING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT AND OPERATION OF TRACKING STATIONS WITHIN THE UNITED KINGDOM. LONDON, 20 JANUARY 1961

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*The American Chargé d'Affaires ad interim to the British Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs*

EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

No. 167

London, January 20, 1961

Sir :

I have the honor to refer to discussions on the establishment of space vehicle tracking stations which have recently taken place between representatives of the Government of the United States of America and of the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and to propose that the two Governments should now conclude an Agreement to join together in a program to establish and operate within the United Kingdom, for scientific purposes, stations for the tracking of, and communication with, space vehicles. The objects of such a joint program would be to facilitate space operations contributing to the advancement of scientific knowledge of man's spatial environment and its effects; the application of this knowledge to the direct benefit of man; and the development of space vehicles of advanced capabilities, including manned space vehicles. The program would be carried out in accordance with the following provisions :

(1) Each Government shall designate an agency or agencies which shall be responsible for carrying out the program. For the Government of the United States, this shall be the National Aeronautics and Space Administration and for the Government of the United Kingdom this shall be such agencies as that Government may from time to time designate through the normal diplomatic channels. The agency designated by the Government of the United States and the agency or agencies designated by the Government of the United Kingdom are hereinafter respectively referred to as a "Co-operating Agency".

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<sup>1</sup> Came into force on 20 January 1961 by the exchange of the said notes.