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**UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN
AND NORTHERN IRELAND
and
ITALY**

**Exchange of notes constituting an agreement concerning
the acceptance of the British Visitor's Passport for
travel between the United Kingdom and Italy. Rome,
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**ROYAUME-UNI DE GRANDE-BRETAGNE
ET D'IRLANDE DU NORD
et
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tion du passeport de visiteur britannique pour les
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No. 5799. EXCHANGE OF NOTES CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND AND THE GOVERNMENT OF ITALY CONCERNING THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE BRITISH VISITOR'S PASSPORT FOR TRAVEL BETWEEN THE UNITED KINGDOM AND ITALY. ROME, 21 FEBRUARY AND 6 MARCH 1961

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Her Majesty's Ambassador at Rome to the Italian Minister for Foreign Affairs

BRITISH EMBASSY

Rome, February 21, 1961

Your Excellency,

You will be aware that in connexion with the question of the simplification of frontier formalities the Council of Europe and the Organisation for European Economic Co-operation have recommended that Member countries of the Organisation should admit each other's nationals to their territory for visits of not more than three months on presentation of identity cards based on the standard form recognised by the Tourism Committee of the Organisation.

2. I have the honour to inform Your Excellency that as identity cards are not issued to residents of the United Kingdom, a simplified form of passport known as the British Visitor's Passport will be available for issue from the 15th of March, 1961 to British subjects, citizens of the United Kingdom and Colonies. A British Visitor's Passport will be valid for one year from the date of issue. An applicant for a British Visitor's Passport will not be required by the United Kingdom authorities to produce documentary evidence of his identity and national status, but he will be required to sign a declaration that he is a British subject, citizen of the United Kingdom and Colonies. A specimen of the British Visitor's Passport is attached as an Annex² to this Note.

3. I have now the honour to propose, on the instructions of Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, that the Government of the United Kingdom and the Government of the Italian Republic conclude an Agreement in the following terms :

(a) The Government of the Italian Republic undertakes to accept the British Visitor's Passport as a valid passport and to permit holders to enter and stay in Italy subject to the following conditions :

¹ Came into force on 15 March 1961, in accordance with the provisions of the said notes.

² Not reproduced in the copies of the Agreement transmitted for registration.