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No. 5971. CULTURAL CONVENTION¹ BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND AND THE GOVERNMENT OF SPAIN. SIGNED AT LONDON, ON 12 JULY 1960

The Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of Spain ;

Desiring to conclude a Cultural Convention for the purpose of promoting by friendly interchange and co-operation the fullest possible knowledge and understanding in their respective countries of the intellectual, artistic, scientific and technical activities as well as of the customs and social life of the other country ;

Have agreed as follows :

Article 1

Each Contracting Government shall encourage as far as possible the creation in its universities, schools and other educational institutions of Professorial Chairs, Readerships, Lectureships and teachers' posts, at all levels, for the study of the language, literature and history of the country of the other.

Article 2

Each Contracting Government shall be permitted, subject to the approval of the Mixed Commission referred to in Article 12, to establish cultural institutes, as well as to maintain and develop existing institutes, in the territory of the other, provided that the legal requirements of each country with regard to the establishment, maintenance and development of such institutes are complied with. The term "institute" shall include in this case schools, libraries, film libraries, and other kinds of cultural centres intended to fulfil the objects of the present Convention. In order to facilitate the establishment, maintenance and development of such institutes each Contracting Government shall grant every facility within the limits of its legislation for the importation, into its territory, of indispensable material such as library equipment, books, gramophones, gramophone records, tape recorders, radio receivers, cinematographic films, projectors and pictures for exhibitions which are required for the running of the institutes, provided that this material is exclusively for the use of the said institutes.

¹ Came into force on 14 June 1961, the fifteenth day after the exchange of the instruments of ratification which took place at Madrid on 30 May 1961, in accordance with article 20.

Article 3

The Contracting Governments shall encourage the interchange between their respective territories of teachers, students and research workers in all branches of knowledge, including scientific activities and techniques.

Article 4

The Contracting Governments shall consider the provision of scholarships and bursaries in such manner as would enable nationals of each country to pursue or undertake studies, technical training or research in the territory of the other. The expression "nationals" means, in relation to the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, citizens of the United Kingdom and Colonies ordinarily resident in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and, in relation to the Spanish State, citizens of the Spanish State ordinarily resident in the national territory of Spain.

Article 5

Each Contracting Government shall consider how far, and under what conditions, academic titles, degrees, diplomas and certificates conferred in the territory of one Contracting Government, including those connected with the exercise of the professions, shall be held to be equivalent to those conferred in the territory of the other.

Article 6

Each Contracting Government shall facilitate the organisation of holiday courses for teachers and for students and graduates of the institutions of Higher Education of the other.

Article 7

The Contracting Governments shall encourage by invitation or the grant of subsidies reciprocal visits of selected groups of scientists, artists and representatives of other professions and occupations in order to develop cultural relations in all the fields covered by the present Convention.

Article 8

The Contracting Governments shall assist each other in endeavours to make the culture of one country better known in the other country by means of :

- (a) books, periodicals and other publications ;
- (b) lectures and concerts ;
- (c) fine art and other exhibitions ;

- (d) dramatic performances ;
- (e) radio, films, gramophone records and other mechanical means of reproduction.

Article 9

The Contracting Governments shall endeavour, by such means as are in their power and consistent with their domestic legislation and practice, to obtain the correction of inaccuracies of fact or interpretation in school books as regards each of the two countries, to which their attention may be drawn.

Article 10

The Contracting Governments undertake to maintain close co-operation between their administrations with the object of preventing and suppressing illegal traffic or works of art, documents and other objects of historic value.

Article 11

Subject to the provisions of Article 19, each Contracting Government shall, in order to carry out the objects of the present Convention, facilitate the grant of permission to enter and reside in its territory to :

- (a) officials of the other Contracting Government concerned with carrying out the objects of the present Convention or of the organisations referred to in Article 17 ;
- (b) teachers employed in United Kingdom Institutes in Spain and Spanish Institutes in the United Kingdom ;
- (c) scholars and students.

Article 12

For the purpose of the application of the present Convention a permanent Mixed Commission, consisting of three United Kingdom and three Spanish members, shall be set up. The members shall be appointed by and the terms of their appointment shall be fixed by their respective Governments.

Article 13

The Mixed Commission shall meet when necessary and at least once every two years in Spain and the United Kingdom in turn. The first meeting shall take place within twelve months of the date on which the present Convention shall have entered into force. These meetings shall be presided over by a member of the Mixed Commission nominated by the Contracting Government in whose country the meeting takes place.