

No. 8655

**AUSTRALIA, NEW ZEALAND and
UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN
AND NORTHERN IRELAND**

**Agreement relating to the Territory of Nauru. Signed at
Canberra, on 26 November 1965**

Official text: English.

Registered by Australia on 22 June 1967.

**AUSTRALIE, NOUVELLE-ZÉLANDE et
ROYAUME-UNI DE GRANDE-BRETAGNE
ET D'IRLANDE DU NORD**

**Accord relatif au Territoire de Nauru. Signé à Canberra, le
26 novembre 1965**

Texte officiel anglais

Enregistré par l'Australie le 22 juin 1967.

No. 8655 AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA, THE GOVERNMENT OF NEW ZEALAND AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND RELATING TO THE TERRITORY OF NAURU. SIGNED AT CANBERRA, ON 26 NOVEMBER 1965

Whereas the Government of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Government of New Zealand and the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland have, conformably with the Trusteeship Agreement for the Territory of Nauru and after consultation with the Nauruan people, agreed that further provision should be made for the government of the Territory and in particular that there should be established a Legislative Council and an Executive Council in order to enable the Nauruan people to participate more fully in the government of the Territory and for this purpose have agreed to modify the existing Agreements between the three Governments :

And whereas the three Governments have agreed that the modifications so made should have effect until, conformably with the Trusteeship Agreement and after consultation with the Nauruan people, the three Governments otherwise agree .

Now therefore it is agreed by the Government of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Government of New Zealand and the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland as follows :

Article 1

(1) A Legislative Council, a majority of the members of which are to be elected by the Nauruan people, is to be established as from the appointed day.

(2) Without affecting the powers of the Commonwealth Parliament to make laws for the government of the Territory—

(a) the Legislative Council is to have power to make Ordinances for the peace, order and good government of the Territory except Ordinances with respect to—

- (i) defence ;
- (ii) external affairs ,

¹ Came into force on 26 November 1965, upon signature.