

No. 9155

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Agreement respecting the war cemeteries, graves and memorials of the British Commonwealth in Ethiopian territory. Signed at Addis Ababa, on 12 April, 18 May and 6 November 1967

Official texts: English and Amharic.

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Accord relatif aux cimetières, sépultures et monuments commémoratifs militaires du Commonwealth sur le territoire éthiopien. Signé à Addis-Abéba, les 12 avril, 18 mai et 6 novembre 1967

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No. 9155. AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND, CANADA, AUSTRALIA, NEW ZEALAND, INDIA AND PAKISTAN OF THE ONE PART AND THE IMPERIAL ETHIOPIAN GOVERNMENT OF THE OTHER PART, RESPECTING THE WAR CEMETERIES, GRAVES AND MEMORIALS OF THE BRITISH COMMONWEALTH IN ETHIOPIAN TERRITORY. SIGNED AT ADDIS ABABA, ON 12 APRIL, 18 MAY AND 6 NOVEMBER 1967

The Governments of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, India and Pakistan (being countries whose Governments participate in the work of the Commonwealth War Graves Commission and which are hereinafter referred to as "the participating countries"), and the Imperial Ethiopian Government,

Animated by a common desire that the places of burial in Ethiopian territory of members of the Armed Forces of the Commonwealth Countries who have fallen in the War of 1939-1945 (hereinafter referred to as "the Commonwealth War Cemeteries" or "Commonwealth War Graves" as the case may be) should be protected from risk of disturbance and assured of respect and care,

Have decided to conclude an Agreement for this purpose and have accordingly agreed as follows :-

Article 1

The Commonwealth War Graves Commission (hereinafter referred to as "the Commission") incorporated by Royal Charter dated the 21st day of May 1917 is recognised by the Imperial Ethiopian Government as the sole authority charged on behalf of the participating countries with the duties of laying out, constructing and maintaining Commonwealth War Cemeteries and Graves. The Imperial Ethiopian Government recognise the right of the Commission to perform all acts necessary to enable it to fulfil its duties and functions in Ethiopian territory and to settle with the Ethiopian Authorities all questions concerning the Commonwealth War Cemeteries and Graves.

Article 2

(1) The free use of the areas of land on which the Commonwealth War Cemeteries are presently located shall be granted to the Commission by the

¹ Came into force on 6 November 1967, the date on which all the Governments named in the preamble had signed it, in accordance with article 8.