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**UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN
AND NORTHERN IRELAND
and
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by the United Kingdom for a Special Project. Paris,
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ET D'IRLANDE DU NORD**

**et
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DE RECHERCHES SPATIALES**

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l'usage de la base de lancement du CERS (ESRANGE)
par le Royaume-Uni pour un projet spécial. Paris,
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EXCHANGE OF NOTES CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT¹
BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED
KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN
IRELAND AND THE EUROPEAN SPACE RESEARCH
ORGANISATION CONCERNING THE USE OF THE
ESRO LAUNCHING RANGE (ESRANGE) BY THE
UNITED KINGDOM FOR A SPECIAL PROJECT

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*The Director-General of the European Space Research Organisation
to Her Majesty's Ambassador at Paris*

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Neuilly, 30 January, 1969

Your Excellency,

I have the honour to refer to the request by the United Kingdom to use the launching range (ESRANGE), situated at Kiruna in Sweden, of the European Space Research Organisation (ESRO) for a launching campaign which will take place at the beginning of 1969 (hereinafter referred to as "the Special Project").

The ESRO Council at its Twenty-second Session has, in conformity with Article VIII of the Convention for the Establishment of ESRO² and with the ESRO Rules concerning the use of ESRANGE (ESRO/AF/604, rev. 3), accepted this request and has authorised me to conclude, on behalf of ESRO, an Agreement with the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland on the following terms and conditions :

1. The Special Project is described as follows :

It is intended to launch eight PETREL rockets.

The purpose of this campaign is to measure the electric field gradients in the lower ionosphere, to investigate the small scale structure of the ionisation and to measure flux and energy spectra of electrons and charged particles.

The experiments have been prepared by the University of Birmingham, the Radio and Space Research Station, the University of Sheffield and the University of Southampton.

¹ Came into force on 30 January 1969 by the exchange of the said notes.

² United Nations, *Treaty Series*, Vol. 528, p. 33.