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EXCHANGE OF NOTES CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF AUSTRALIA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA CONCERNING AUSTRALIAN ORES CONTAINING URANIUM OR THORIUM (MONAZITE AND XENOTIME)

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The Embassy of Australia presents its compliments to the Department of State and has the honour to refer to the Agreement between Australia and the United States of America Concerning Peaceful Uses of Nuclear Energy, done at Canberra on July 5, 1979² (the "Agreement on Peaceful Uses") including its Agreed Minute (the "Agreed Minute").

With reference to Article 2(r) of the Agreement and the first paragraph of the section entitled "Coverage of the Agreement" in the Agreed Minute, the Embassy has further the honour to propose the following procedures concerning the treatment of ore transferred from Australia to the United States containing more than 0.05% by weight of uranium or thorium or both:

1. When such transfers are made for use of the contained uranium or thorium or both for peaceful nuclear purposes, the contained uranium and thorium so transferred shall become subject to the Agreement on Peaceful Uses, provided that:

a. The Government of Australia provides the Government of the United States the requisite notification, and receives the requisite confirmation from the United States Government in accordance with the Agreement and arrangements pursuant thereto;

¹ Came into force on 13 December 1989, the date of the note in reply, in accordance with the provisions of the said notes.

² United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 1217, p. 211.