UNITED KINGDOM
EXCHANGE OF PUBLICATIONS


The Secretary of State to the British Ambassador
DEPARTMENT OF STATE
WASHINGTON
Jul 13 1951

EXCELLENCY:
I have the honor to refer to the conversations which have taken place between representatives of the Government of the United States of America and representatives of His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland in regard to the exchange of official publications, and to inform you that the Government of the United States of America agrees that there shall be an exchange of official publications between the two Governments in accordance with the following provisions:

1. Each of the two Governments shall furnish regularly a copy of each of its official publications which is indicated in a selected list prepared by the other Government and communicated through diplomatic channels subsequent to the conclusion of the present agreement. The list of publications selected by each Government may be revised from time to time and may be extended, without the necessity of subsequent negotiations, to include any other official publication of the other Government not specified in the list, or publications of new offices which the other Government may establish in the future.

2. The official exchange office for the transmission of publications of the Government of the United States of America shall be the Smithsonian Institution. The official exchange office for the transmission of publications of His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom shall be His Majesty's Stationery Office.

3. The publications shall be received on behalf of the United States of America by the Library of Congress and on behalf of the United Kingdom by the British Museum.

4. The present agreement does not obligate either of the two Governments to furnish blank forms, circulars which are not of a public character, or confidential publications.
5. Each of the two Governments shall bear all charges, including postal, rail and shipping costs, arising under the present agreement in connection with the transportation within its own country of the publications of both Governments and the shipment of its own publications to a port or other appropriate place reasonably convenient to the exchange office of the other Government.

6. The present agreement shall not be considered as a modification of any existing exchange agreement between a department or agency of one of the Governments and a department or agency of the other Government.

Upon the receipt of a note from you indicating that the foregoing provisions are acceptable to His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom, the Government of the United States of America will consider that this note and your reply constitute an agreement between the two Governments on this subject, the agreement to enter into force on the date of your note in reply.

Accept, Excellency, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

DEAN ACHESON

His Excellency
The Right Honorable
Sir Oliver Shewell Franks, K. C. B., C. B. E.,
British Ambassador

The British Ambassador to the Secretary of State

BRITISH EMBASSY,
WASHINGTON, D. C.
30th July, 1951

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to the conversations which have taken place between representatives of His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the United States of America and to your note of 13th July 1951 in regard to the exchange of official publications and to inform you, on instructions from His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, that His Majesty's Government agrees to an exchange of official publications between the two Governments in accordance with the following provisions:

1. Each of the two Governments shall furnish regularly a copy of each of its official publications which is indicated in a selected
list prepared by the other Government and communicated through
diplomatic channels subsequent to the conclusion of the present
agreement. The list of publications selected by each Government
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venient to the exchange office of the other Government.

6. The present agreement shall not be considered as a modifica-
tion of any existing exchange agreement between a department or
agency of one of the Governments and a department or agency of
the other Government.

His Majesty's Government likewise consider your note under
reference and the present note in reply as constituting an Agreement
between our two Governments in this matter, which shall enter into
force on this day's date.

I avail myself of this opportunity to renew to you the assurance
of my highest consideration.

Oliver Franks.

The Honourable Dean Acheson,
Secretary of State of the United States,
Washington, D. C.