



**TREATY SERIES 2014**  
**Nº 7**

**Exchange of Notes terminating the Agreement between the  
Government of Ireland and the Government of the United  
Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland on the Reciprocal  
Holding of Stocks of Crude Oil and/or Petroleum Products**

Notes terminating the Agreement exchanged on 30 August 2013

Entered into force on 30 August 2013

Presented to Dáil Éireann by the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade

## No. 1

The Embassy of Ireland  
17 Grosvenor Place  
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Note number: 30/13  
Date: 30 August 2013

The Europe Directorate of the Foreign and Commonwealth Office presents its compliments to the Embassy of Ireland and has the honour to refer to the Agreement between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of Ireland on the Reciprocal Holding of Stocks of Crude Oil and/or Petroleum Products, done at Dublin on 12 April 2005 and to recent discussions between officials of our two Governments concerning the desirability of amending the aforesaid Agreement.

In accordance with the amendment procedures of Articles 7 and 8 of the Agreement, the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland has the honour to propose that the Agreement be amended as follows:

The text of Article 10 shall be replaced by the following:

(1) This Agreement shall remain in force for an indefinite period of time but may be terminated by either Government upon giving notice in writing, through the diplomatic channel to the other Government. In such event the Agreement shall cease to be in force from the point of acknowledgement of the notice by the other Government.

(2) If a Government exercises the power of termination in paragraph (1) of this Article it shall forthwith give notice in writing of the same to the Commission of the European Union.”

The Foreign and Commonwealth Office further proposes that, notwithstanding the provisions of Article 8 of the Agreement, this amendment shall enter into force on the date of the notification sent by the Government of Ireland to the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland accepting the proposal.

If the above proposals are acceptable to the Government of Ireland, the Foreign and Commonwealth Office has the honour to suggest that this Note and the Government of Ireland's reply to that effect shall constitute an Agreement between the two Governments, which shall enter into force on the date of your reply.

The Europe Directorate of the Foreign and Commonwealth Office avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Embassy of Ireland the assurances of its highest consideration.

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**No. 2**

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Note number:FCO/02/13  
Date: 30 August 2013

The Embassy of Ireland presents its compliments to the Europe Directorate of the Foreign and Commonwealth Office and has the honour to refer to its Diplomatic Note number 30/13 of 30 August 2013 which reads as follows:

“The Embassy of Ireland  
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Note number: 30/13  
Date: 30 August 2013

The Europe Directorate of the Foreign and Commonwealth Office presents its compliments to the Embassy of Ireland and has the honour to refer to the Agreement between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of Ireland on the Reciprocal Holding of Stocks of Crude Oil and/or Petroleum Products, done at Dublin on 12 April 2005 and to recent discussions between officials of our two Governments concerning the desirability of amending the aforesaid Agreement.

In accordance with the amendment procedures of Articles 7 and 8 of the Agreement, the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland has the honour to propose that the Agreement be amended as follows:

The text of Article 10 shall be replaced by the following:

- (1) This Agreement shall remain in force for an indefinite period of time but may be terminated by either Government upon giving notice in writing, through the diplomatic channel to the other Government. In such event the Agreement shall cease to be in force from the point of acknowledgement of the notice by the other Government.
- (2) If a Government exercises the power of termination in paragraph (1) of this Article it shall forthwith give notice in writing of the same to the Commission of the European Union.”

The Foreign and Commonwealth Office further proposes that, notwithstanding the provisions of Article 8 of the Agreement, this amendment shall enter into force on the date of the notification sent by the Government of Ireland to the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland accepting the proposal.

If the above proposals are acceptable to the Government of Ireland, the Foreign and Commonwealth Office has the honour to suggest that this Note and the Government of Ireland's reply to that effect shall constitute an Agreement between the two Governments, which shall enter into force on the date of your reply.

The Europe Directorate of the Foreign and Commonwealth Office avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Embassy of Ireland the assurances of its highest consideration.

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The Embassy of Ireland has the honour to confirm on behalf of the Government of Ireland that the foregoing proposals are acceptable to the Government of Ireland who therefore agree that the Foreign and Commonwealth Office Note and the present reply shall constitute an Agreement between the two Governments which shall enter into force on this day's date.

The Embassy of Ireland also has the honour to recall the joint intention of the Government of Ireland and the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to terminate the Agreement and to replace it with a Memorandum of Understanding. To this end, on behalf of the Government of Ireland, the Embassy has the honour to propose that in accordance with Article 10 of the Agreement, as amended, the Agreement shall terminate with effect from the date of the reply Note from the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland confirming that it agrees to the termination.

The Embassy of Ireland would be grateful to the Foreign and Commonwealth Office for confirmation that the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland agrees to terminate the Agreement with effect from the date of their reply Note to the Government of Ireland.

The Embassy of Ireland avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Europe Directorate of the Foreign and Commonwealth Office the assurances of its highest consideration.

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**No. 3**

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Note number: 31/13  
Date: 30 August 2013

The Europe Directorate of the Foreign and Commonwealth Office presents its compliments to the Embassy of Ireland and has the honour to refer to its Note No: FCO/02/13 of 30 August 2013 confirming that the Government of Ireland agree to amendment of Article 10 of the Agreement between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of Ireland on the Reciprocal Holding of Stocks of Crude Oil and/or Petroleum Products, done at Dublin on 12 April 2005, with effect from the date of the said Note, and further proposing that the Agreement be terminated with effect from the date of the reply Note from the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

The Foreign and Commonwealth Office has the honour to inform the Embassy of Ireland that the Government of United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland agrees to terminate the Agreement in accordance with Article 10 of the Agreement with effect from the date of this notification.

The Europe Directorate of the Foreign and Commonwealth Office avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Embassy of Ireland the assurances of its highest consideration.

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