I have the honour to inform you that my Government accepts the understandings set out in your letter.

Accept, Mr. Chancellor, the renewed assurance of my highest consideration.

United Kingdom High Commissioner for Germany

Paris, 23rd October 1954

His Excellency, The Chancellor of the Federal Republic of Germany

Mr. Chancellor,

I refer to Article 5 of Chapter Twelve of the Convention on the Settlement of Matters arising out of the War and the Occupation referred to in the Protocol on the Termination of the Occupation Régime in the Federal Republic of Germany signed in Paris this day and wish to state on behalf of the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland in agreement with the Governments of the United States of America and the French Republic, that, in the exercise of the responsibilities under the said Article, an application for authorisation of air traffic to and from the Berlin air corridors by aircraft of Powers other than the United Kingdom, the United States, the French Republic and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics will be approved only after notification by the Federal Government to the representatives of the United Kingdom, the United States and the French Republic that the Federal Government is willing to grant the right to overfly the Federal territory.

I understand that a permit for the overflight of the Federal territory on these flights will be issued to the applicant only after notification to the Federal Government by the representatives of the United Kingdom, the United States and the French Republic that they are willing to approve the application for authorisation of air traffic to and from the Berlin air corridors.

Accept, Mr. Chancellor, the renewed assurance of my highest consideration.

United Kingdom High Commissioner for Germany Paris, 23rd October 1954

His Excellency, The Chancellor of the Federal Republic of Germany.

Mr. Chancellor,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter of today's date in which you, in the name of the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany, confirm the assurances given and the obligations undertaken by the Federal Republic in the various letters referred to in your letter.

On behalf of the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland I confirm the assurances given and the obligations undertaken by that Government in the letters which you mention, subject to the amendments listed in the Schedule to your letter and with the understanding that letters Nos. 3, 5, 13, 14, 15 and 19 are no longer applicable.

I am also glad to confirm the declaration made on 25 May 1952 concerning reparations which appears at page 316 of the issue of the Federal Government's Official Gazette mentioned in your letter.

Accept, Mr. Chancellor, the renewed assurance of my highest consideration.

Her Britannic Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs

Schedule of Amendments (referred to in the Eighth Letter)

Letter No. 1, paragraph 3 (Bundesgesetzblatt 1954 Teil II Nr 3.) Page 242.

Substitute: "For this reason they have decided to exercise their right relating to Berlin in such a way as to facilitate the carrying out by the Federal Republic of its Declaration on aid to Berlin, of which a copy is annexed, and to permit the Federal authorities to ensure representation of Berlin and of the Berlin population outside Berlin."

Annex the following: -

Declaration of the Federal Republic on Aid to Berlin

In view of the special role which Berlin has played and is destined to play in the future for the self preservation of the free world, aware of the ties connecting the Federal Republic with Berlin as

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