The Secretary-General of the United Nations, acting in his capacity as depositary, communicates the following:

In a communication received by the Secretary-General on 27 September 1983, the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland has proposed certain amendments to annexes 2 and 3 of the Agreement, to be communicated to all States concerned in accordance with the procedure set forth in paragraphs 1 to 7 of article 18 of the above-mentioned Agreement.

A copy, in the English and French languages, of the text of the proposed amendments is enclosed.

Reference is made to the provisions of article 18 (2) of the Agreement, which provide that within a period of six months following the date on which the proposed amendments are communicated by the Secretary-General any Contracting Party may

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inform the latter (a) that it has an objection to the amendments proposed, or (b) that, although it intends to accept the proposal, the conditions necessary for such acceptance are not yet fulfilled in its country.

If the proposed amendments are deemed to be accepted in accordance with the provisions of article 18 (5) of the Agreement, they will enter into force six months after the date of such acceptance.

20 October 1983