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Dear Deputy Assistant Secretary McCormick,

EXCHANGE OF NOTES BETWEEN THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND MINISTRY OF DEFENCE AND THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE DIRECTORATE OF DEFENSE TRADE CONTROLS

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your Note dated 11th August 2011 concerning the access of employees and in particular dual nationals and third country nationals to United States ITAR controlled defence articles and technology and to confirm that the arrangements set out in your Note are acceptable to the Government of the United Kingdom. I would like to take this opportunity to reiterate the view of the Government of the United Kingdom that these instruments are not intended to be binding under international law.

I furthermore confirm that the arrangements set out in your Note will place on record the understanding of our two Governments in this matter which will come into operation on today's date. I avail myself of this opportunity to renew to you the assurances of my highest consideration.

Yours sincerely,

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