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At talks held in London on 15/16 November between Mr. Jeffrey C. Kitchen, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Politico-Military Affairs in the State Department, and Mr. Geoffrey Arthur, Head of Defence Department, Foreign Office, and their respective delegations about draft Agreements relating to the British Indian Ocean Territory (including financial arrangements) and the United States Tracking and Telemetry Facility at Mahe, Seychelles, the two sides agreed on the drafts of the agreements concerned and related agreed minutes subject to reference by both sides to Governments.

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In addition, the following matters were discussed:

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(a) With reference to partial defence use of islands Mr. Arthur reaffirmed that there was no British intention to deviate from the original concept under which the islands would be available, free of inhabitants, for U.S.-U.K. defence needs. He pointed out, however, that a situation might arise in which it might be found feasible for either the United States or the United Kingdom to make use of islands without either partial or total removal of inhabitants. Equally, he noted, in some instances involving even a minor installation or small numbers of men it might nevertheless be necessary, for security or other reasons, to remove the

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