

# ECONOMIC FUSION OF AMERICAN AND BRITISH ZONES OF OCCUPATION IN GERMANY

*Exchange of notes at Washington June 30, 1949, extending agreement  
of December 2, 1946, as amended and extended*

*Entered into force June 30, 1949*

*Expired September 30, 1949*

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*The Secretary of State to the British Ambassador*

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

WASHINGTON

*June 30, 1949*

EXCELLENCY:

I have the honor to refer to the discussions which have taken place between the Government of the United Kingdom and the Government of the United States on the subject of the extension of the Agreement between the two Governments concerning the British and American Zones of Occupation in Germany.

By their exchange of notes of March 31, 1949<sup>1</sup> the two Governments agreed to extend the Bizonal Fusion Agreement to June 30, 1949, and to consult together before June 1, 1949 to consider the terms and conditions of a new Agreement for a further period.

At the time of this exchange of notes it was thought that, prior to June 30, a German Government would be in existence, that the Occupation Statute would be in operation and that the Tripartite Agreement on Control Machinery, covering a substantial part of the field of Trizonal Fusion, would have come into force simultaneously with the Occupation Statute, thus rendering unnecessary a further extension of the Bizonal Fusion Agreement. Since these arrangements have not yet matured, the Government of the United States believes that the most practical arrangement is the extension for a further period of three months of such parts of the present Fusion Agreement as have not already been replaced by other agreements or arrangements.

<sup>1</sup> TIAS 1959, *ante*, p. 934.