

EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION ON PENICILLIN

Exchange of notes at Washington January 25, 1946, with text of agreement

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The Acting Secretary of State to the British Ambassador

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

WASHINGTON

January 25, 1946

EXCELLENCY:

Referring to the conversations which have been in progress between representatives of the Government of the United States of America and representatives of the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland with a view to the conclusion of an agreement between the two Governments on the principles applying to the exchange of information looking to the synthesis of penicillin, I have the honor to inform Your Excellency that the Government of the United States of America is prepared to enter into an agreement in accordance with the text enclosed herewith.

With particular reference to the provisions in Article II of the agreement, it is the understanding of the Government of the United States of America that the agreement is intended to and, when made effective, does confirm and formalize the terms on which, during the period December 1, 1943 to October 31, 1945, inclusive, scientific information pertaining to the purification, structure, or synthesis of penicillin, or a therapeutic equivalent, has been interchanged, to the same extent as though the agreement had been concluded and brought into force on the date of the commencement of that period.

Upon the receipt of a note from Your Excellency indicating that the agreement is acceptable to the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the Government of the United States of America will consider the agreement to be concluded and, in accordance