

AIR SERVICE: RADIO RANGE AND SCS 51 EQUIPMENT

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The American Ambassador to the Minister of Civil Aviation

1, GROSVENOR SQUARE,
LONDON, W. 1.,
May 8, 1946

DEAR LORD WINSTER:

Pursuant to recent discussions, it is my understanding that representatives of the Ministry of Civil Aviation and representatives of the United States have reached agreement with regard to the transfer to the United Kingdom Government of certain air navigational and operational facilities and continued operation and maintenance of these facilities by the United Kingdom Government. The United States trans-Atlantic airlines will be materially assisted by the continued operation of these facilities. The air navigational and operational aids involved are among those which were installed or provided for use in the United Kingdom by the United States Armed Forces during the war, and have become or are about to become surplus to the needs of the United States Armed Forces. The understanding which has been reached and which I desire to confirm by this letter is as follows:

1. The transfer would apply to the following installations:

(a) The radio ranges and all facilities now owned by the United States which are necessary to their operation located at Prestwick, Valley, St. Mawgan, Northolt, and Stornaway, and a range and necessary facilities to be moved by the United States to Heathrow. It is the intention of the United States, prior to transfer, to convert the radio range operated at Stornaway to a beacon, and to move the radio range now located at Bovingdon, or such other range as the United States may determine, to Heathrow.

(b) Four complete SCS 51 installations now owned by the United States and located at Prestwick, Valley, St. Mawgan, and one additional such