

**LAW ENFORCEMENT**

**Mutual Legal Assistance**

**Agreement Between the  
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
and the UNITED KINGDOM OF  
GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN  
IRELAND concerning the  
CAYMAN ISLANDS**

**Amending Treaty of July 3, 1986**

Effected by Exchange of Notes at  
London September 10, 2004 and  
February 9, 2005



NOTE BY THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Pursuant to Public Law 89—497, approved July 8, 1966  
(80 Stat. 271; 1 U.S.C. 113)—

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**UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND  
NORTHERN IRELAND CONCERNING  
THE CAYMAN ISLANDS**

**Law Enforcement: Mutual Legal Assistance**

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Entered into force February 9, 2005.*

EMBASSY OF THE  
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

No. 052

The Embassy of the United States of America at London, England, presents its compliments to Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs.

Your Excellency,

I have the honor to refer to the Treaty between the United States of America and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland concerning the Cayman Islands Relating to Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters (hereinafter "the Treaty"), signed at Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands, on July 3, 1986, by representatives of the Governments of the United States of America, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, and the Cayman Islands.

In the spirit of cooperation, mutual respect and goodwill existing between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, including the Cayman Islands, concerning mutual legal assistance in criminal matters, I have the honor to propose that, pursuant to Article

19(3)(k) of the Treaty, the offense of “bankruptcy fraud” be included within the definition of “criminal offense” in the Treaty to the extent it is not currently covered by the Treaty.

If the proposal set forth herein is acceptable to the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, including the Cayman Islands, I have the honor to propose that this note and your reply shall constitute an agreement between the two Governments, including the Cayman Islands, which shall enter into force on the date of your Excellency’s reply.

The Embassy avails itself of this opportunity to renew to Your Excellency the assurances of its highest consideration.

Embassy of the United States of America

London, England, September 10, 2004





I have the honour to refer to the United States Embassy's Note No. 052 of 10 September 2004 which reads as follows:

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If the proposal set forth herein is acceptable to the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, including the Cayman Islands, I have the honor to propose that this note and your reply shall constitute an agreement between the two Governments, including the Cayman Islands, which shall enter into force on the date of your Excellency's reply.

In reply, I have the honour to confirm that the proposal set out in the Embassy's Note is acceptable to the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, including the Cayman Islands, and that the Embassy's Note, and this Reply, shall constitute an Agreement between the two Governments, including the Cayman Islands, which shall enter into force today.

I avail myself of this opportunity to renew to the Embassy of the United States the assurances of my highest consideration.

*Edward Oakden*

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Foreign and Commonwealth Office  
for the Secretary of State

9 February, 2005