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**UNITED NATIONS,  
INTERNATIONAL LABOUR ORGANISATION,  
FOOD AND AGRICULTURAL ORGANIZATION OF THE  
UNITED NATIONS,  
UNITED NATIONS EDUCATIONAL,  
SCIENTIFIC, AND CULTURAL ORGANIZATION,  
INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION ORGANIZATION,  
WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION  
and  
CEYLON**

**Special Agreement concerning technical assistance. Signed  
at Colombo, on 18 February 1952**

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**ORGANISATION DES NATIONS UNIES,  
ORGANISATION INTERNATIONALE DU TRAVAIL,  
ORGANISATION DES NATIONS UNIES  
POUR L'ALIMENTATION ET L'AGRICULTURE,  
ORGANISATION DES NATIONS UNIES  
POUR L'ÉDUCATION, LA SCIENCE ET LA CULTURE,  
ORGANISATION DE L'AVIATION CIVILE  
INTERNATIONALE,  
ORGANISATION MONDIALE DE LA SANTÉ  
et  
CEYLAN**

**Accord spécial relatif à la fourniture d'une assistance tech-  
nique. Signé à Colombo, le 18 février 1952**

*Texte officiel anglais.*

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No. 434. SPECIAL AGREEMENT<sup>1</sup> CONCERNING TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE BETWEEN THE UNITED NATIONS, THE INTERNATIONAL LABOUR ORGANISATION, THE FOOD AND AGRICULTURE ORGANIZATION OF THE UNITED NATIONS, THE UNITED NATIONS EDUCATIONAL, SCIENTIFIC AND CULTURAL ORGANIZATION, THE INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION ORGANIZATION AND THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION AND THE GOVERNMENT OF CEYLON. SIGNED AT COLOMBO, ON 18 FEBRUARY 1952

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The Secretary-General of the United Nations (hereinafter referred to as the Secretary-General), as Chairman of the Technical Assistance Board on behalf of the United Nations, the International Labour Organisation, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, the International Civil Aviation Organization and the World Health Organization (hereinafter called "the Organizations"),

and

The Government of Ceylon (hereinafter called "the Government"), desiring to give effect to the resolutions and decisions relating to technical assistance of the Organizations, which are intended to promote the economic and social progress and development of peoples and in pursuance of the technical assistance agreements concluded between any of the Organizations and the Government,

have entered into this Special Agreement through their undersigned duly authorized representatives.

#### ARTICLE I

##### *Furnishing of Technical Assistance*

1. The Secretary-General shall arrange to appoint as soon as practicable, a Resident Technical Assistance Representative (hereinafter referred to as "the

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<sup>1</sup> Came into force on 18 February 1952, upon signature, in accordance with article IV.

Representative”), initially for a period of 1 year, who will represent the Board and each of the participating organizations.

2. The services of the Representative shall be provided and received in accordance with the Observations and Guiding Principles set forth in Annex I of Resolution 222 IX (A) of the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations of 15 August 1949,<sup>1</sup> and as appropriate in accordance with the relevant resolutions and decisions of the assemblies, conferences, and other organs of the Organizations.

3. The Representative shall work in close co-operation with the experts appointed by the Organizations. His duties will be as follows :

(a) To assist and advise the Government regarding the presentation of technical assistance requests which it may wish to submit to the Organizations, taking into account :

- (i) the relative urgency of specific projects within the general economic development programme and policies of the Government,
- (ii) the technical assistance resources of the participating Organizations,
- (iii) any other existing or projected technical assistance in the country.

(b) To advise the Board and the Organizations concerned on requests and programmes of technical assistance in the country of his assignment.

(c) To negotiate with the Government technical assistance agreements on behalf of the Organizations and assist these Organizations in such other negotiations at the policy level as may be necessary with the Government.

(d) To assist in ensuring the effective rendering of assistance by the various Organizations and in harmonizing the activities of experts and specialists provided by these Organizations, with a view to assuring the development of well-balanced and co-ordinated technical assistance programmes in that country and to keep himself informed on the activities of the Organizations and the experts within the country.

(e) To assist the Government in the establishment of co-ordinating machinery for facilitating the rendering of technical assistance.

(f) To make available to the experts such administrative services as may be specified in the letter of instructions, including the payment of allowances to the experts out of funds received from the Government or from the Organizations.

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<sup>1</sup> United Nations, *Treaty Series*, Vol. 76, p. 132.

(g) In consultation with the experts concerned, to assist and advise the appropriate authorities of the Government and the Organizations concerned regarding the selection of candidates for fellowships or scholarships of the Organizations concerned and in the presentation of related applications.

(h) To maintain, in all matters pertaining to technical assistance, the most effective liaison between the Government, on the one hand, and the Organizations on the other, and in this connexion to make every effort to facilitate direct contact and co-operation between the experts and various technical departments of the Government.

4. The duties mentioned above refer to activities under the Expanded Programme of Technical Assistance and will be performed in accordance with the terms of the Agreement and the decisions of the Technical Assistance Board. In addition, these duties may, as the Organizations deem it appropriate, refer to activities of the Organizations undertaken under their regular technical assistance programmes, in which case the relevant resolutions of the Organizations would apply.

5. In the performance of his duties the Representative shall work in close consultation and full co-operation with the competent agencies of the Government and any associated authority, charged with the execution of development projects in the country. He will report to and correspond directly with the Organizations on matters of specific interest to them, including, particularly, development plans and proposals and other related technical assistance activities pursued in the country. He will report to the Secretary-General in the latter's capacity as Chairman of TAB on matters of general interest to the Organizations, as well as on the progress of the technical assistance programme as a whole.

6. The Organizations shall appoint such staff as they may deem appropriate to assist the representative in the discharge of his functions.

## ARTICLE II

### *Administrative and Financial Obligations of the Parties*

1. The Organizations shall be responsible for the payment of the salary and any subsistence allowances of the representative, and for any travel expenses incurred by him outside Ceylon in connexion with his official duties.

2. The Government shall pay for or directly furnish :

(a) An appropriate office with normal facilities, and supplies, equipment

and other materials needed by the representative for his work, as well as official postal, telegraph and telephone communications.

(b) Such technical and clerical help as the representative may need.

(c) The cost of any official travel which he may undertake in Ceylon at the request of the Government.

It is understood that the accommodation to be provided will be adequate for the representative's needs so as to enable his office to serve also as a local headquarters for such other experts as may be provided to Ceylon by the Organizations in connexion with their technical assistance activities in the country.

### ARTICLE III

#### *Facilities, Privileges and Immunities*

Notwithstanding whether the Government has ratified the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the United Nations<sup>1</sup> and the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the Specialized Agencies<sup>2</sup> the Government shall apply to the Representative and any staff which may be appointed by the Organizations to assist him, the appropriate provisions of these Conventions.

### ARTICLE IV

1. This Agreement shall enter into force upon signature by duly authorized representatives of the Organizations and of the Government.
2. This Agreement may be modified by agreement between the Organizations concerned and the Government, each of which shall give full and sympathetic consideration to any request by the other for such modification.
3. This Agreement may be terminated by all or any of the Organizations so far as they are respectively concerned, or by the Government upon the written notice to the other party and shall terminate 60 days after receipt of such notice.

<sup>1</sup> United Nations, *Treaty Series*, Vol. 1, pp. 15 and 263; Vol. 4, p. 461; Vol. 5, p. 413; Vol. 6, p. 433; Vol. 7, p. 353; Vol. 9, p. 398; Vol. 11, p. 406; Vol. 12, p. 416; Vol. 14, p. 490; Vol. 15, p. 442; Vol. 18, p. 382; Vol. 26, p. 396; Vol. 42, p. 354; Vol. 43, p. 335; Vol. 45, p. 318; Vol. 66, p. 346, and Vol. 70, p. 266.

<sup>2</sup> United Nations, *Treaty Series*, Vol. 33, p. 261; Vol. 43, p. 342; Vol. 46, p. 355; Vol. 51, p. 330; Vol. 71, p. 316; Vol. 76, p. 274; Vol. 79, p. 326; Vol. 81, p. 332; Vol. 84, p. 412; Vol. 88, p. 446; Vol. 90, p. 323; Vol. 91, p. 376; Vol. 92, p. 400; Vol. 96, p. 322; Vol. 101, p. 288; Vol. 102, p. 322; Vol. 109, p. 319; Vol. 110, p. 314; Vol. 117, and Vol. 122, p. 335.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the undersigned, duly appointed representative of the Organizations and the Government respectively, have, on behalf of the Parties, signed the present agreement at Colombo this 18th day of February 1952 in the English language in two copies.

For the United Nations, the International Labour Organisation, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, the International Civil Aviation Organization and the World Health Organization :

(Signed) David OWEN, Chairman  
Technical Assistance Board

For the Government of Ceylon :

R. G. SENANAYAKE  
Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of External  
Affairs