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and
CHINA**

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**Accord (avec annexe) relatif à l'exécution d'un programme
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No. 1723. AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA AND THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION FOR THE OPERATION OF A NURSING EDUCATION PROJECT. SIGNED AT TAIPEH, ON 7 MARCH 1952, AND AT MANILA, ON 13 MARCH 1952

The World Health Organization (hereinafter referred to as “ the Organization ”)

Desiring to give effect to Resolution WHA 3.116 adopted by the World Health Assembly on 23rd May 1950,² concerning the participation of the Organization in an Expanded Programme of Technical Assistance for Economic Development, and

The Government of the Republic of China (hereinafter referred to as “ the Government ”)

Having requested technical assistance in furtherance of its plans for economic development; and

Being desirous of obtaining mutual agreement concerning a project, particularly with reference to the purpose and scope of the project and responsibilities which will be assumed and the materials and services which will be provided;

Declaring that these responsibilities shall be fulfilled in a spirit of friendly co-operation;

Have agreed as follows :

PART I

Plan of action

1. *Objectives*

To assist the Government in :

- 1.1 Improving the standards of nursing education.
- 1.2 Improving the quality of nursing service.
- 1.3 Developing educational facilities so that the number of nurses may be increased.

¹ Came into force on 13 March 1952 by signature.

² Resolution WHA 3.116, adopted by the World Health Assembly on 25 May 1950 : *Official Records of the World Health Organization*, No. 28, p. 68.

- 1.4 Interpreting nursing to colleagues in medicine, education and other related community services.
 - 1.5 Preparing local nurses for teaching and administrative positions.
 - 1.6 Studying and developing teaching materials and techniques that are most effective according to the educational background and experience of students.
 - 1.7 Adapting the educational programme to local resources and local needs.
2. *Planning, extent and administration of project*
- 2.1 A detailed plan for the administration of this project will be prepared and annexed to this agreement.
 - 2.2 The project shall be conducted under the responsibility of the Government.
 - 2.3 The senior nurse educator provided by the Organization shall act as the chief technical adviser to the Government in the operation of the project and shall carry out such tutorial and other functions as are outlined in the detailed plan. Other instructors provided by the Organization shall, under the direction of the senior nurse educator, carry out such tutorial functions as are described in the detailed plan. Other nursing personnel who may later be assigned to other WHO joint projects shall carry out their functions under the direction of the senior nurse educator.
 - 2.4 The Government will assign the best available suitable trained local personnel to work with the international team, the international team gradually turning over duties to local personnel.
 - 2.5 The Government will make necessary provision for the assignment of students for the teaching programme.
 - 2.6 The project is expected to operate over a five year period commencing January 1st 1952.
 - 2.7 The training centre is located in Taipeh. In the initial phase, the teaching programme will be centered in the Taiwan University Hospital School of Nursing. The ward teaching will be conducted in the Taiwan University Hospital. However, the international personnel will be available for teaching programmes in co-operation with other schools of nursing in Taiwan. As local teaching personnel become available, it is anticipated that the international team may be requested to assist the Government with a new school of nursing that may develop in the southern part of Taiwan. It is also envisaged that when a local nurse is available for the position of Director of Nursing in the Provincial Health Administration,

that the Organization will assign a nurse to assist the Government in establishing this service.

2.8 *Orientation*

The Government will plan a period of orientation for the international personnel upon their arrival in the country. The orientation period will be for about two weeks. It will include introduction to the heads of departments in Taita, Government officials interested in nursing education programmes, and nursing leaders, it will also include observation in hospital and community health services and an introduction to the history and cultural background of the people.

PART II

Commitments of the Organization

1. The Organization shall provide, under the Expanded Programme of Technical Assistance for Economic Development, the following personnel, equipment, supplies and fellowships, provided that for the period of operations beyond 1952 these commitments shall be subject to the budgetary limitations of the Organization :
 - 1.1 *Personnel*
 - 1 Senior Nurse Educator
 - 1 Nursing Arts Instructor
 - 1 Medical Nursing Instructor
 - 1 Surgical Nursing Instructor
 - 1 Instructor in Obstetric and Paediatric Nursing
 - 1.2 *Equipment, supplies and literature*
 - Detailed lists to be annexed
 - Provision to be made for translating and publishing nursing textbooks in Chinese
 - 1.3 *Fellowships*
 - Nursing education and administration*
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2. The Organization further undertakes, with regard to the commitments under paragraph 1 above, to pay and provide the following :
 - 2.1 The salaries, allowances, insurance and travel outside the country of the international personnel;
 - 2.2 The carriage of materials, supplies and equipment to and from the country;
 - 2.3 Any other expenses outside the country and necessary in connection with the provision of technical assistance.

PART III

Commitments of the Government

1. The Government shall provide all personnel, materials, supplies and equipment necessary for the project, except as provided in Part II. This includes the entire staff of the health services which have any relation to or responsibility for the nursing education programme. It also includes the facilities, together with equipment and supplies, of the Taiwan University Hospital.
2. The Government further undertakes, with regard to the commitments under paragraph 1 above, to pay and provide for the following :
 - 2.1 Suitable lodging accommodations for the international personnel;
 - 2.2 The cost of travel, including a per diem allowance for the international personnel while travelling on official business within the country away from their duty station;
 - 2.3 One car with full maintenance and driver for the international personnel;
 - 2.4 The cost of official telephone, telegraph, postal and other communications;
 - 2.5 Office space and clerical staff, including one Chinese/English secretary for the use of the international personnel.
 - 2.6 Interpreters for the international personnel.
 - 2.7 The cost of medical care and hospitalization for the international personnel in the country.
 - 2.8 The Government will authorise the publication, both national and international, of the results of the projects and of the experience derived therefrom.

- 2.9 The Government shall continue the programme within the scope of available resources when the assistance from the Organization is withdrawn.

PART IV

1. This Agreement may be modified by mutual consent of the Government and the Organization.
2. This Agreement may be terminated by either party upon written notice to the other and shall terminate sixty days from the receipt of such notice.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the undersigned, being duly authorized to that effect, have signed this Agreement.

DONE in six copies in English at Taipeh, Taiwan, China, on March 7th 1952

For the Government of the Republic of China :
(Signed) T. Hsiang WANG

And at Manila P.I. on March 13th 1952

For the World Health Organization :
(Signed) I. C. FANG

ANNEX 1 TO PROJECT AGREEMENT

*DETAILED PLAN FOR THE OPERATION OF NURSING
EDUCATION PROJECT IN THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA*

1. *General description of the problem:*

One of the chief obstacles in providing essential health services in Taiwan is the lack of nursing personnel to staff the existing hospitals and health centres. There are over 2,000 beds and large outpatient clinics in the 18 provincial hospitals, 26 municipal and prefecture hospitals, 22 health centres and 340 health stations. There are :

1,038 nurses
2,681 midwives
367 attendants
3,420 doctors

However, these numbers represent a large group of nurses who have had an apprenticeship form of training that did not provide instruction in the essentials of good nursing care of public health. Nurses functioned for many years in Taiwan primarily as clerical

workers and servants. Patient care was usually given by family members. Work in health centres is mostly treatment and very few of the staff are trained in preventive health services. Several hundred untrained women are employed as health workers in the schools because there are no nurses available for school health.

In recent years, the Government has made marked progress in developing nursing facilities. Three schools of nursing have been instituted :

The Provincial School of Nursing and Midwifery.....	178 students
The National Taiwan University Hospital School of Nursing.....	96 students
The National Defence Medical College School of Nursing.....	142 students

Junior Middle School Standard is required for admission and an increasing number of high school graduates are entering schools of nursing. There are about three applicants for each student admitted, so the standards of recruitment can be increasingly selective.

Essential needs for improvement of nursing education facilities and nursing services are :

- (1) Additional qualified nurse educators. The teaching staff of the Provincial School of Nursing and the National Defence Medical College School of Nursing, are considered adequate. The National Taiwan University Hospital School of Nursing requires teaching staff in order to strengthen the School of Nursing.
- (2) Teaching supplies and equipment, especially Chinese textbooks, are urgently required. Most of the instructors read English and make excellent use of reference books and journals. Mimeographed materials are provided for the students.
- (3) Local nurses need an opportunity for further study in order to be prepared for positions as teachers and administrators. Fellowships are planned for this purpose.
- (4) The Provincial Health Administration does not have a nurse in charge of nursing affairs. When a local nurse is available for the position of Director of Nursing Services, it is agreed that an international nurse experienced in public health nursing administration will be assigned to assist the Government in establishing this service.

The proposed programme for improvement of nursing education is an integral part of the Government's activities in the development of essential health services that require nursing personnel. In addition to establishing hospitals and health centres as noted above, the Provincial Health Administration has developed public health services which include tuberculosis, malaria, control of major communicable diseases. Gastro intestinal infection, trachoma and malnutrition are also serious problems. The preva-

lence of these preventable diseases, with subsequent disability of workers, is a serious economic loss to the country.

The proposed programme will contribute in a tangible form to the enterprise of the towns and villages in community effort towards better family health. A large number of rural health centres are operated by the local people as a co-operative endeavour.

2. *Status, duties and responsibilities of international personnel specified in part II of the plan of operations*

2.1 *Senior Nurse Educator*

The Senior Nurse Educator will be the team leader, who will have the following functions;

- (a) She will be responsible to the President of the Taiwan University through the Superintendent of the Taiwan University Hospital and the Superintendent of Nurses.
- (b) In consultation with the Superintendent of Nurses, Dean of the School of Nursing and the Hospital Superintendent, she will guide the work of the international team members and integrate their work with the hospital and school of nursing so that all teaching personnel will function as a teaching unit.
- (c) In co-operation with the Superintendent of Nurses and the Dean of the School of Nursing and other team members, she will assist in developing and conducting a course of study for the Taiwan University Hospital School of Nursing, with provision for integrating the social and preventive aspects of health service in the curriculum.
- (d) In co-operation with the Dean of the Taiwan University School of Medicine, she will arrange for lectures to medical students on the nursing aspects of patient care and health services.
- (e) In co-operation with local nurses engaged in educational programmes, she will be available to assist in planning and conducting refresher courses for graduate nurses, courses in ward management for supervisors and head nurses and courses in administration for the superintendents of nurses of the provincial hospitals.
- (f) In co-operation with nursing and Government officials, she will assist in reviewing nursing needs and developing plans to help meet those needs.
- (g) She will assist in the selection of students for fellowship awards.
- (h) She will submit monthly reports to the President of the Taiwan University, Directors of National and Provincial Health Administration, WHO, and courtesy copies to the UNICEF Mission Chief and Chairman of the Nursing Advisory Committee.

2.2 *Nursing Arts Instructor*

Medical Nursing Instructor

Surgical Nursing Instructor

Instructor in Obstetrics and Paediatrics Nursing

The functions of these four persons will consist of technical duties as follows :

Under the supervision of the Senior Nurse Educator—

- (a) To assist with the planning of programmes and courses for students—basic courses, refresher courses and post graduate courses.
 - (b) To conduct the teaching programme in the class room and assist with the supervision of student practice on the hospital wards and in the outpatient clinics.
 - (c) To assist in improving the nursing service in the hospital in order to improve the clinical experience of the students.
 - (d) In co-operation with the medical and nursing staff, to arrange for case conferences in which doctors and nurses participate.
 - (e) To prepare local personnel to undertake these duties and to assist them to assume responsibility for the continuation of the teaching programme.
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