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No. 2390. AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA FOR A CO-OPERATIVE AERIAL SURVEY PROJECT. SIGNED AT JIDDA, ON 10 NOVEMBER 1952

The Government of the United States of America and the Government of Saudi Arabia have agreed as follows :

Article I

Pursuant to the General Agreement for Technical Cooperation signed on behalf of the two Governments at Jidda on January 17, 1951,² and at the request of the Government of Saudi Arabia in Notes No. 4111 and 4112 of March 16, 1952,³ and pursuant to the Natural Resources Program Agreement between the Governments of the United States of America and the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia,⁴ a cooperative aerial survey project, subject to the terms and conditions of the said General Agreement, shall be initiated in Saudi Arabia. The obligations assumed herein by the Government of Saudi Arabia will be performed by it through the Ministry of Finance of Saudi Arabia, represented by the Minister of Finance (hereinafter referred to as the "Minister"). The obligations assumed herein by the Government of the United States of America will be performed by it through the Technical Cooperation Administration of the Department of State, an agency of the Government of the United States of America, represented in Saudi Arabia by the United States Director of Technical Cooperation (hereinafter referred to as the "Director"). Any right, privilege, power, or duty conferred by this Agreement upon either the Minister or the Director may be delegated by either of them to any of his respective assistants, provided that each such delegation be acceptable to the other. Such delegation shall not limit the right of the Minister and the Director to refer any matter directly to one another for discussion and decision.

¹ Came into force on 10 November 1952 as from the date of signature, in accordance with article IV.

² United Nations, *Treaty Series*, Vol. 140, p. 335.

³ Not printed by the Department of State of the United States of America.

⁴ United States of America : *Treaties and Other International Acts Series* 2680.

Article II

The purpose of this cooperative project is to stimulate and increase the interchange of technical knowledge and skill between the two countries and to facilitate the economic development of Saudi Arabia through the making of an aerial survey in western and northwestern Saudi Arabia. This aerial survey is to provide basic data for water development and agriculture, for mineral exploration, for part of the location of the proposed railway from Riyadh to Jidda, and for location of regions capable of economic development, to find the cheapest routes for roads in mountainous regions where costs are high, and to help to locate pipelines, dam sites and airfields. The aerial survey shall be prepared under the supervision of the Director, with the concurrence of the Minister. The photographs will be made available to the Saudi Arabian Government as requested by the Minister.

Article III

The two Governments shall make the following contributions to the cooperative project :

1. The Government of the United States of America, through a private contractor acceptable to the Government of Saudi Arabia, shall furnish technicians and technical equipment required for the making of the survey and shall pay the dollar costs thereof in an amount not to exceed \$115,000, including mosaics in the amount of \$23,000. In addition, the Government of the United States of America shall pay such other expenses of an administrative nature as it may incur in connection with this project.

2. The Government of Saudi Arabia shall make available quarters and subsistence for the aerial photographic party consisting of about seven men for whatever time is necessary to take the photography. This may be as little as two weeks or as much as three months depending on weather conditions. The Saudi Arabian Government will also furnish the contractor with aviation gasoline, lubricating oil and an oxygen suitable for breathing at high altitude. The Saudi Arabian Government will clear flights at time of departure with the photographic crew and will make available landing facilities at Jidda and possible emergency landing facilities elsewhere in Saudi Arabia.

3. The Government of Saudi Arabia further agrees to hold the Contractors harmless from civil suits brought against the Contractors by third parties for injury or property damage arising out of the carrying out of the project in

Saudi Arabia, to grant to personnel of the Contractors, other than Saudi Arabian personnel, engaged on this project the exemption from taxes and duties provided in Article IV of the General Agreement for Technical Cooperation, to grant with respect to funds, material, and equipment introduced into Saudi Arabia by the Contractors for use on this project the exemptions provided in Article III, Section 2, of the said General Agreement, and to grant to the Contractors exemption from all corporate and business taxes applied solely by reason of the Contractors' activities in connection with this project.

Article IV

This Cooperative Aerial Survey Project Agreement shall become effective on the date of signing and shall remain in force for a period of one year or until three months after either Government shall have given notice in writing to the other of intention to terminate it, whichever is earlier.

This understanding is prepared in duplicate and signed at the Ministry of Finance on 22 Safor, 1372 (10th November, 1952).

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