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BETWEEN THE CZECHOSLOVAK REPUBLIC AND THE
EMPIRE OF ETHIOPIA. SIGNED AT ADDIS ABABA,
ON 11 DECEMBER 1959

The Czechoslovak Republic and the Empire of Ethiopia:

Being desirous of consolidating the traditional friendly relations which have long prevailed between their respective countries,

Desiring to develop and strengthen mutual friendly economic and cultural relations and co-operation between Czechoslovakia and Ethiopia on the basis of mutual respect for national sovereignty, non-interference into internal affairs, equality and mutual benefit,

Firmly resolved, in the conduct of relations between them, to contribute to the lessening of international tensions, the establishment of confidence among States and the development of international co-operation,

Convinced that the development and strengthening of friendly relations and mutual co-operation between them correspond to the interest of both countries.

Desiring to apply in their mutual relations the purposes and principles of the United Nations Charter,

Have decided to enter into the present Treaty and for this purpose have appointed as their Plenipotentiaries:

The Czechoslovak Republic

Monsieur Július Ďuriš, Minister of Finance,

The Empire of Ethiopia

H. E. Ato Yilma Deressa, Minister for Foreign Affairs,

Who, having communicated to each other their full powers, found in good and due form, have agreed upon the following articles:

Article I

- 1. There shall be perpetual peace and lasting friendship between Czecho-slovakia and Ethiopia.
- 2. The Contracting Parties shall settle all disputes which might arise between them exclusively by peaceful means within the framework of the United Nations Charter.

¹ Came into force on 11 May 1960 by the exchange of the instruments of ratification at Addis Ababa, in accordance with article IV.

Article II

The Contracting Parties shall develop and strengthen mutual relations in the fields of science, culture, technics and education and thereby contribute to mutual understanding between the peoples of the two countries.

Article III

The Contracting Parties recognise that mutual economic co-operation constitutes a firm basis of their peaceful and friendly relations and, therefore, in the interest of the peaceful construction and progress of their countries shall extend economic assistance to each other and develop economic co-operation benefical to the two countries.

Article IV

- 1. The present Treaty shall be ratified in accordance with the constitutional procedures of each of the Contracting Parties and shall enter into force on the day of the exchange of the instruments of ratification which will take place at Addis Ababa.
- 2. It shall remain in force for a period of three years from the date on which it comes into force, and shall be automatically renewed thereafter for successive periods of three years each unless either Contracting Party shall give a notice in writing of its intention to terminate the said Treaty six months prior to the expiry of the current three year period.

Done at Addis Ababa on the 11th day of December, 1959, in duplicate in the Czech, Amharic and English languages; all the three versions being equally authentic, except that in case of divergency the English version shall prevail.

For the Czechoslovak Republic:

For the Empire of Ethiopia:

J. Duriš

Y. DERESSA