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No. 6249. GENERAL AGREEMENT<sup>1</sup> FOR ECONOMIC CO-OPERATION BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE IMPERIAL GOVERNMENT OF IRAN. SIGNED AT TEHRAN, ON 21 DECEMBER 1961

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PREAMBLE

Whereas the Imperial Government of Iran desires to raise the standard of living of the people of Iran by promoting economic and social development of the country, and,

Whereas the Government of the United States of America is willing to extend economic, technical and related assistance to Iran,

and the Government of the United States of America and the Imperial Government of Iran, desiring to strengthen the traditional ties of friendship between the two countries, have agreed as follows :

*Article I*

The Government of the United States of America will furnish such economic, technical and related assistance hereunder as may be requested by representatives of the agency designated by the Imperial Government of Iran to cooperate in the planning and implementation of such assistance and approved by representatives of the agency designated by the Government of the United States of America to administer its responsibilities hereunder, or as may be requested and approved by other representatives designated by the Government of the United States of America and the Imperial Government of Iran. The furnishing of such assistance shall be subject to the applicable laws and regulations of the Government of the United States of America ; the utilization of such assistance shall similarly be subject to the constitution, laws and regulations of Iran. It shall be made available in accordance with written arrangements agreed upon between the above-mentioned representatives.

*Article II*

The Imperial Government of Iran agrees to make the full contribution permitted by its manpower, resources, facilities and general economic condition in furtherance of the purposes for which assistance is made available hereunder ; to bear a fair share

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<sup>1</sup> Came into force on 21 December 1961, the date of signature, in accordance with article VI (1).

of the costs of such assistance and to give the people of Iran full publicity concerning programs and operations hereunder. The Imperial Government of Iran will take appropriate steps to insure the effective use of assistance furnished pursuant to this Agreement and will afford every opportunity and facility to representatives of the Government of the United States of America to observe and review programs and operations conducted under this Agreement and will furnish whatever information they may need to determine the nature and scope of operations planned or carried out and to evaluate results.

### *Article III*

1. In any case where commodities or services are furnished on a grant basis under arrangements which will result in the accrual of proceeds to the Imperial Government of Iran from the import or sale of such commodities or services, the Imperial Government of Iran, except as may otherwise be agreed upon by the representatives referred to in Article I hereof, will establish in its own name a Special Account in the Bank Markazi Iran, and will deposit promptly in such Special Account the amount of its currency equivalent to such proceeds.

2. Except as may otherwise be agreed upon by the representatives referred to in Article I hereof, the currency in the Special Account will be utilized as follows : Upon notification from time to time by the Government of the United States of America of its requirement for the currency of Iran, the Imperial Government of Iran will make available to that government in the manner requested by it out of any balances in the Special Account such sums as are stated in such notifications to be necessary for such requirements. The Imperial Government of Iran may draw upon any remaining balances in the Special Account for such purposes beneficial to Iran as may be agreed upon from time to time by the representatives referred to in Article I hereof. Whenever funds from such Special Account are used by the Imperial Government of Iran to make loans, all funds received in repayment of such loans prior to the termination of assistance hereunder shall be reused only as may be agreed upon by the representatives referred to in Article I hereof. Any unencumbered balances of funds which remain in the Special Account upon termination of assistance hereunder to the Imperial Government of Iran shall be disposed of for such purposes as, subject to approval by Act or joint resolution of the Congress of the United States of America, may be agreed upon by the representatives referred to in Article I hereof.

### *Article IV*

The Imperial Government of Iran will receive a special mission and its personnel to discharge the responsibilities of the Government of the United States of America hereunder ; will consider this special mission and its personnel as part of the diplomatic mission of the United States of America in Iran for the purposes of enjoying

the privileges and immunities accorded to that diplomatic mission and its personnel of comparable rank ; and will give full cooperation to the special mission and its personnel, including the furnishing of facilities and personnel necessary for the purpose of carrying out the provisions hereof. It is understood that the detailed application of this Article would, when necessary, be the subject of intergovernmental discussion.

#### *Article V*

In order to assure the maximum benefits to the people of Iran from the assistance to be furnished hereunder :

- (a) Any supplies, materials, equipment, commodities, or funds introduced into or acquired in Iran by the Government of the United States of America or any contractor financed by that Government, for purposes of this Agreement shall, while such supplies, materials, equipment, commodities, or funds are used in connection with this Agreement, be exempt from any taxes on ownership or use of property and any other taxes, investment or deposit requirements and currency controls in Iran, and the import, export, purchase, use or disposition of any such supplies, materials, equipment, commodities or funds in connection with this Agreement shall be exempt from any tariffs, customs duties, import and export taxes, taxes on purchase or disposition of property, and any other taxes or similar charges in Iran.
- (b) All personnel, except citizens and permanent residents of Iran, including employees of the Government of the United States of America or its agencies or individuals under contract, or employees of public or private organization under contract, with the Government of the United States of America, the Imperial Government of Iran, or any agencies of either the Government of the United States of America or the Imperial Government of Iran, who are present in Iran to perform work in connection herewith, shall be exempt from income and social, security taxes levied under the laws of Iran and from taxes on the purchase, ownership, use, or disposition of personal movable property (including one automobile) intended for their own use. Such personnel and members of their families shall receive the same treatment with respect to the payment of customs, import, and all other duties and fees on personal effects (including one automobile), equipment, and supplies imported into Iran for their own use as is accorded by the Imperial Government of Iran to diplomatic personnel of the Embassy of the United States of America.
- (c) Funds introduced into Iran for purposes of furnishing assistance hereunder shall be convertible into currency of Iran at the rate providing the largest number of units of such currency per United States dollar, which, at the time the conversion is made, is not unlawful in Iran.

- (d) The Imperial Government of Iran will deposit, segregate, or assure title to all United States funds allocated to, or derived from, any program of assistance undertaken hereunder by the Government of the United States of America so that such funds shall not be subject to garnishment, attachment, seizure, or other legal process by any person, firm, agency, corporation, organization or other government when the Imperial Government of Iran is advised by the Government of the United States of America that any such legal process would interfere with the attainment of the objectives of the program of assistance hereunder.

#### *Article VI*

1. This Agreement shall enter into force on the date on which it is signed by the two governments and it shall terminate six months after the close of the first regular session of the Iranian Parliament, i.e., the Majlis and the Senate whichever closes later, held after the signing of this Agreement, unless, before the expiration of said six months, the Imperial Government of Iran shall have notified the Government of the United States of America that this Agreement has been ratified, in which case it shall remain in force until ninety days after receipt by either government of written notification of the intention of the other to terminate it. It is understood, however, that the provisions of this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect after termination of the Agreement with respect to assistance furnished pursuant to this Agreement before such termination.

2. All or any part of the program of assistance provided hereunder may, except as may otherwise be provided in arrangements agreed upon pursuant to Article I hereof, be terminated by either government if that government determines that because of changed conditions the continuation of such assistance is unnecessary or undesirable. The termination of such assistance under this provision may include the termination of deliveries of any commodities hereunder not yet delivered.

3. The two governments or their designated representatives shall, upon request of either of them, consult regarding any matter on the application, operation or amendment of this Agreement.

4. This Agreement supersedes the Agreement relating to the program of Technical Cooperation and Economic Development effected by an exchange of notes signed at Tehran on January 19 and 20, 1952.<sup>1</sup> Arrangements or agreements imple-

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<sup>1</sup> United Nations, *Treaty Series*, Vol. 200, p. 191.

menting the above-mentioned Agreement and concluded prior to the entry into force of this Agreement shall hereafter be subject to this Agreement.

DONE in Tehran on December 21, 1961, in the Persian and English languages.

For the Government  
of the United States of America :

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