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No. 6547. CULTURAL AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE KING-DOM OF THE NETHERLANDS AND THE UNITED ARAB REPUBLIC. SIGNED AT THE HAGUE, ON 8 DECEMBER 1960

The Government of the Kingdom of the Netherlands and the Government of the United Arab Republic, desiring to strengthen the cultural ties between the two countries and to establish close co-operation in the educational, scientific and artistic fields, and wishing to consolidate the friendly understanding and maintain the fullest possible comprehension between the two peoples, have decided to conclude a cultural agreement and have agreed on the following provisions :

Article I

The Contracting Parties undertake to encourage cultural, scientific and artistic co-operation between the two countries and to take all necessary steps to that end. They undertake, in particular :

(a) To encourage the interchange of university staff, teachers, scholars and students between the scientific institutes and the universities of the two countries and to grant them every facility for entry and residence in accordance with the laws in force in the two countries;

(b) To establish scholarships in their respective countries in order to enable students and graduates from the other country to undertake studies or research in institutes and universities or to complete their technical training;

(c) To encourage the organization of exhibitions, concerts and lectures which will lead to better understanding of the culture of the other country;

(d) To promote cultural, scientific, sports and social co-operation between recognized educational establishments in the two countries;

(e) To facilitate the exchange of manuscripts or copies thereof, of works of art and of scientific reference material;

(f) To facilitate, in their respective territories, archaeological activities undertaken by the other country, in accordance with the laws in force in the two countries.

¹ Came into force on 8 August 1962, the date of exchange of the instruments of ratification at Cairo, in accordance with article VII.

Article II

The competent authorities in each of the two countries shall take the necessary measures to assess the value of the diplomas and degrees conferred by the establishments of the other country.

Article III

The Contracting Parties shall give special attention to the question of revising textbooks of history and geography concerning each of the two countries.

They shall, *inter alia*, give every facility to bodies and persons engaged in this work by placing at their disposal all material which may be of use to them.

Audiovisual materials used in teaching history and geography, especially maps, wall charts, lantern slides and films, should likewise be revised.

Article IV

Each Contracting Party undertakes to extend, in so far as it is able, facilities to nationals of the other country who wish to undertake theoretical studies or to pursue a course of practical studies in its universities, institutes, factories or laboratories.

Article V

In order to contribute to the satisfactory implementation of this Agreement in accordance with its aims, the Contracting Parties shall authorize the formation in their respective territories of bilateral associations to promote scientific and cultural co-operation between the two countries. Such associations shall be subject to the laws and regulations in force in each country.

Article VI

Each Contracting Party shall in its own country extend to the other Party every possible facility in respect of :

- (I) Cultural institutions;
- (II) Educational establishments.

Article VII

This Agreement shall be ratified and the instruments of ratification shall be exchanged at Cairo as soon as possible. The Agreement shall enter into force on the date of the exchange of the instruments of ratification.

Article VIII

In the case of the Kingdom of the Netherlands, this Agreement shall apply to the territory in Europe.

Article IX

This Agreement shall remain in force for a period of five years. Unless notice of termination is given six months before its date of expiry, it shall be extended by tacit agreement, each Contracting Party then reserving the right to terminate it at any time upon six months' notice.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the respective plenipotentiaries have signed this Agreement and have affixed thereto their seals.

DONE at The Hague, on 8 December 1960, in duplicate, in the Dutch, Arabic and French languages, the three texts being equally authentic. In the event of discrepancy, the French text shall be final.

For the Government of the Kingdom of the Netherlands : For the Government of the United Arab Republic:

(Signed) J. LUNS

(Signed) A. A. KHANDJI

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