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Accord relatif aux dispositions à prendre en vue du Colloque international sur le développement industriel devant se tenir à Athènes du 29 novembre au 20 décembre 1967. Signé à Genève, le 14 avril 1967

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AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT No. 8613. OF GREECE AND THE UNITED NATIONS REGARDING ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE INTERNATIONAL SYMPO-SIUM ON INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT TO BE HELD IN ATHENS FROM 29 NOVEMBER TO 20 DECEMBER 1967. SIGNED AT GENEVA, ON 14 APRIL 1967

Whereas, by letter of 8 November 1966, the Government of Greece (hereinafter referred to as the Government) made known to the Secretary-General of the United Nations its desire to act as host to the International Symposium on Industrial Development (hereinafter known as the Symposium) and declared its readiness to make available the facilities and services which the Government as host would be required to place at the disposal of the Symposium,

Whereas the General Assembly of the United Nations, by resolution 2178 (XXI)<sup>2</sup> adopted on 9 December 1966, endorsed the decision of the Economic and Social Council to convene the Symposium in Athens at the end of 1967,

Bearing in mind that, under the terms of resolution 2116 (XX)<sup>3</sup> adopted by the General Assembly on 21 December 1965, a Government issuing an invitation for a meeting to be held within its territory agrees to defray, after consultation with the Secretary-General as to their nature and possible extent, the actual additional costs directly and indirectly involved,

The Government and the United Nations agree that the Symposium shall be held in Athens from 29 November to 20 December 1967, and further agree as follows:

The Government shall, at its expense, make available to the United Nations the Panteios building in Athens together with such additional space in the immediate vicinity as is necessary to provide adequate office space and shall provide the necessary installations, furniture, equipment and staff as described in Sections I to VIII below.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Came into force on 14 April 1967, upon signature, in accordance with its penultimate

paragraph.

2 United Nations, Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-first Session, Supplement No. 16 (A/6316), p. 33. 3 United Nations, Official Records of the General Assembly, Twentieth Session, Supplement No. 14 (A/6014), p. 76.

#### I. Conference rooms

- (a) A large conference room for plenary meetings and meetings of the Committees of the Symposium. This room shall contain seating arrangements for a minimum of:
- (i) 155 delegations (governments, specialized agencies, inter-governmental and international non-governmental organizations). Each delegation shall have at least one seat at the table and one seat immediately behind. The remaining members of the delegation shall be seated at the back and/or sides of the room, and/or in the gallery.
- (ii) Twenty-five seats for the Press in a separate section.
- (iii) As many seats as possible for the public.
- (iv) Seating on the rostrum for at least seven persons (the President or Chairman and other officers of the Conference) with a corresponding number of seats immediately behind for advisers and secretariat.
- (v) A table to seat six persons (précis-writers, Press officers, conference officers, etc.).
- (b) A second large conference room for meetings of Committees which shall contain seating for at least 400 persons made up as follows:
- (i) Two seats for each of the 155 delegations, one at the table and one immediately behind or, alternatively, two at the table.
- (ii) Extra seating at the sides and/or back of the room for the additional members of delegations, Press and public.
- (iii) Presidential rostrum as under (a) (iv) above.
- (iv) A secretariat table as under (a) (v) above.
- (c) Two small conference rooms for sub-Committees and working parties to seat 70 to 100 persons, 50 of these seats to be at the table and the extra seats at the sides and/or back of the room.
- (d) The two large conference rooms shall be equipped for simultaneous interpretation from and into five languages; the two smaller rooms shall be equipped for four languages. In addition to the interpreters' cabins (one cabin per language) the two large conference rooms shall be equipped for sound recording of the discussions. A hearing apparatus shall be provided for each seat in all four conference rooms and sufficient microphones shall be installed on the tables to allow of one instrument for every three persons seated at the tables. The presidential rostrum in each of the two large conference rooms shall also be equipped with a minimum of three microphones.

- (e) There shall be facilities for radio/television broadcasts from the plenary hall.
- (f) The plenary hall and, if possible the second large conference room, shall be equipped with the necessary machinery for the projection of films.

## II. AUXILIARY FACILITIES AND SERVICES IN THE MEETING AREA

- (a) A delegates' lounge, restaurant and bar and related facilities for all participants.
- (b) A public lobby provided with an information/reception desk; space for protocol arrangements; postal, telegraphic and telephone facilities; a travel and transport desk; first-aid service; cloakrooms; news stand; etc.
- (c) A large room for the use of the interpreters, equipped as a combined office and lounge.
  - (d) A telephone service with switchboard.

#### III. OFFICES 1

- (a) Two large offices or suites of offices for the President and the Secretary-General of the Conference.
- (b) Three large offices for use by the Chairmen and Rapporteurs of the Committees.
  - (c) A large room for use as a library and reference centre for delegates.
- (d) Offices for the substantive and administrative secretariat and for the translators and typists, estimated at 200 persons in all.

# IV. OFFICE EQUIPMENT

- (a) The necessary typewriters and office machines. 2
- (b) Inter-office telephone service.
- (c) A telex machine and operator to ensure daily transmissions between Athens and the United Nations Office at Geneva.

# V. DOCUMENTS AREA AND EQUIPMENT

(a) A reproduction area with mimeograph machines, collating and stapling equipment, etc., capable of producing 300,000 page units per day.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The location and number of offices and the furniture and other equipment to be provided will be worked out in detail between representatives of the Government and the United Nations Secretariat.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The number and type of machines will be worked out in detail between the representatives of the Government and the United Nations Secretariat.

- (b) A distribution area in proximity to the conference rooms equipped with a distribution counter and shelving for the large volume of documentation issued before the Symposium and the documents produced during the meeting.
  - (c) A storage area for paper and supplies.

# VI. INFORMATION SERVICE

In addition to the radio/television broadcast facilities mentioned under I (e) above, the Government shall provide a press working area; a briefing room for correspondents; radio/television studios for interviews and programme preparation; short-wave radio transmission facilities.

#### VII. TRANSPORTATION

The Government shall provide, at its expense:

- (a) Six chauffeur-driven cars for use by the officers of the Conference and high officials of the secretariat.
- (b) Adequate transportation between central points in Athens and the Conference building during the hours of meetings.
- (c) Adequate transportation between the Conference building and such offices as are located outside that building.
- (d) Additional transport for staff between the building and their hotels as necessitated by shift work.

## VIII. LOCAL PERSONNEL

- (a) The Government shall provide the engineering and other personnel to ensure the proper functioning of the equipment and facilities referred to in Sections I, II and VI above. The Government shall also provide the necessary reproduction operators and distribution staff (the supervisory personnel will be furnished by the United Nations), house staff, such as huissiers, messengers, maintenance personnel and cleaners, telephone and telex operators, etc., and the drivers of the vehicles referred to in Section VII above.
- (b) The Government agrees to indemnify and save harmless the United Nations from any and all actions, causes of actions, claims or other demands arising out of the employment for the United Nations of the personnel referred to in this Section.
- (c) The local personnel provided by the Government shall be placed under the general supervision of the Secretary-General of the Symposium.

# IX. DOCUMENTATION, STATIONERY AND SUPPLIES

The United Nations shall at its expense provide the stationery required for the adequate functioning of the Symposium, including paper and ink for the reproduction of documents, and the Government shall pay the transport and insurance charges for shipment and return as necessary, including transport between Geneva and Athens of the stocks of documents necessary for the Symposium.

#### X. Privileges and immunities

- (a) The Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the United Nations, to which Greece is a party, shall be applicable with respect to the Symposium. In particular, the Government will accord representatives attending the Symposium and all officials of the United Nations connected with the Symposium the privileges and immunities set forth in Articles IV and V of the said Convention.
- (b) Representatives of States non-members of the United Nations attending the Symposium shall enjoy the same privileges and immunities as are accorded to representatives of States Members of the Organization.
- (c) Representatives of the specialized agencies and of intergovernmental organizations and international non-governmental organizations invited to the Conference shall enjoy the same privileges and immunities as are accorded to officials of comparable rank of the United Nations.
- (d) The area referred to under Sections I, II, III and V above shall be deemed to constitute United Nations premises, access to which shall be under the authority and control of the United Nations.
- (e) The Greek Government and authorities shall impose no impediment to transit to and from the Symposium of the following categories of persons attending the Symposium: representatives of Governments and their immediate families; representatives of specialized agencies and inter-governmental organizations and their immediate families; officials of the United Nations and their immediate families; observers of non-governmental organizations having consultative status with the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations; representatives of the Press or of radio, television, film or other information agencies accredited by the United Nations at its discretion after consultation with the Government; and other persons officially invited to the Symposium by the United Nations. Any visa required for such persons shall be granted promptly and without charge.
- (f) The Government shall allow the importation, duty free, of all equipment and shall waive import duties and taxes with respect to supplies necessary for the Symposium. It shall issue without delay to the United Nations any necessary import and export permits.

(g) The Government shall issue to the United Nations an import permit for the limited supplies needed by the United Nations for official requirements and entertainment schedule of the Symposium.

#### XI. POLICE PROTECTION

The Government shall furnish at its expense such police protection as may be required to ensure the efficient functioning of the Symposium without interference of any kind. While such police services shall be under the direct supervision and control of a senior officer provided by the Government, this officer shall work in close co-operation with the responsible United Nations official so as to ensure a proper atmosphere of security and tranquillity.

#### XII. FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS

In addition to making the above-mentioned facilities available to the Symposium, the Government, in pursuance of General Assembly resolution 2116 (XX), shall assume responsibility for the additional expenditures to the United Nations budget estimated at \$77,400 resulting from the convening of the Symposium in Athens rather than at the United Nations Office at Geneva. Reimbursement to the United Nations shall take place as soon as possible after the closing of the Symposium, and not later than 30 June 1968.

# XIII. APPOINTMENT OF A LIAISON OFFICER

The Government shall appoint a liaison officer who will be responsible, in consultation with the Secretariat of the United Nations, for ensuring that all necessary arrangements for the Symposium are made.

## XIV. MISCELLANEOUS

- (a) Any damage to the premises in the meeting area or injury to persons using such premises or damage to furniture or equipment provided by the Government shall be made good at the expense of the Government, without prejudice to the Government's right of recourse as long as such right is not contrary to the present Agreement.
- (b) All expenses incurred by the participants in the Symposium in respect of hotel or other accommodation in Athens will be paid by the participants. However, the Government undertakes to ensure that suitable accommodation is available within easy access of the meeting area, and will appoint an official through whom requests for information and reservations may be made.
- (c) The Government shall pay for all necessary utility services, including telephone communications of the Secretariat of the Symposium within Athens, and

communications by telephone and telex between the Secretariat and the United Nations Office at Geneva.

#### XV. SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES

Any dispute between the United Nations and the Government concerning the interpretation or application of this Agreement which is not settled by negotiation or other agreed mode of settlement, shall be referred for final decision to a tribunal of three arbitrators, one to be named by the Secretary-General of the United Nations, one to be named by the Government, and the third to be chosen by the first two, or, if they should fail to agree upon a third, then by the President of the International Court of Justice. However, any dispute which involves a question of principle concerning the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the United Nations shall be dealt with in accordance with the procedure prescribed in Section 30 of that Convention.

This Agreement shall enter into force on the date of signature and shall be in force for the duration of the Symposium and for such additional period as is necessary for the preparation and winding up of administrative arrangements.

In witness whereof, the respective representatives of the Government of Greece and of the United Nations have signed this Agreement this 14th day of April one thousand nine hundred and sixty seven.

For the Government of Greece:

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