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No. 9189. CULTURAL AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNION OF SOVIET SOCIAL-IST REPUBLICS AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE STATE OF KUWAIT. SIGNED AT KUWAIT, ON 27 MARCH 1967

The Government of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and the Government of the State of Kuwait;

Seeking the progressive development of friendly relations and mutual understanding between their countries;

And being guided by the desire to expand and strengthen cultural co-operation on the basis of the principles of mutual respect, equality of rights and nonintervention of either country in the affairs of the other;

Have decided to conclude this agreement, and appointed for this purpose their respective plenipotentiaries :

For the Government of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics :

H. E. Micheil F. Bodroof, Ambassador of U.S.S.R. in Kuwait.

For the Government of the State of Kuwait :

H. E. Saleh Abdul-Malek Al-Saleh, Minister of Education.

Who after having exchanged their Full Powers which were found to be in good and due form;

Have agreed to the following :

Article I

Each of the contracting parties shall, as far as possible, mutually encourage educational, scientific and cultural co-operation between the two countries through such means as the following :

(a) Exchange of University professors, instructors and persons engaged in scientific, technical and cultural research including provision of the necessary facilities for all such persons;

(b) The sharing by university graduates, scientists and scholars of each country in training programmes and courses of vocational training in the other country including provision of the facilities necessary for this purpose;

¹ Came into force on 11 October 1967, the fifteenth day after the exchange of the instruments of ratification, which took place at Moscow on 26 September 1967, in accordance with article IX.

(c) Expansion in the study of the language and literature of each country in the universities and institutions of the other country;

(d) Collaboration, through special agreements to be concluded for this purpose, in projects to ensure the maintenance of their cultural heritage and civilization.

Article II

The contracting parties shall exchange programmes and curricula of universities, post-graduate institutes and schools of technical education in the other country for the purpose of concluding a special agreement or agreements for the equivalence of educational degrees, diplomas and school certificates granted by these institutions.

Article III

Each Contracting Party shall encourage better understanding of the civilization and culture of the other country especially through such means as the following :

(a) the strengthening of links and the facilitation of co-operation among literary, scientific and artistic institutions in their countries such as libraries and scientific, artistic and historic museums;

(b) the exchange of scientific, technical, educational and cultural publications, materials and equipment;

(c) the organisation of scientific, artistic and educational exhibitions;

(d) visits by artists and artistic groups of each country to the other;

(e) the exchange of radio and television programmes, recordings, tapes as well as cultural and scientific films;

(f) visits between the two countries of famous scientists and men of letters.

Article IV

The two Contracting Parties shall endeavour to promote friendly relations and increase acquaintance between their peoples through the following means:

(a) the encouragement of co-operation and the exchange of visits between their athletic groups and the holding of athletic contests, and the exchange of experts in this field;

(b) the encouragement of touristic trips between their countries.

Article V

Each Contracting Party shall encourage through all possible means, students, scholars and experts of the other country who are engaged in research and study within its country to continue their work and studies. The Contracting

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Parties shall also encourage the exchange of students for the completion of their studies in the universities and post-graduate institutions of either country.

Article VI

Each Contracting Party shall give every facility within the limits of its laws and regulations in force for the importation into its territory of equipment necessary for the purpose of this agreement such as pictures and material for exhibition, books, films and gramophone records; also library equipment, gramophones, tape recorders, radio receivers and film projectors.

Article VII

Nothing in this Agreement shall affect the obligations of any person to comply with the laws and regulations in force in either country concerning entry, residence and departure of foreigners.

Article VIII

Each Contracting Party shall designate the official authority responsible for the implementation of this Agreement. The two official authorities so designated may formulate executive programmes, for fulfilling the purposes of this Agreement.

Article IX

This Agreement shall be ratified. The exchange of instruments of ratification shall take place at

This Agreement shall enter into force on the fifteenth day after the exchange of instruments of ratification.

Article X

This Agreement shall remain in force for a period of four years, and shall, thereafter, be automatically renewable for a similar period or periods unless six months before the lapse of any such period, either party shall have notified the other party, in writing, of its desire to abrogate it.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the undersigned, being duly authorized, have signed this Agreement in Kuwait on 27th March, 1967.

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DONE in two original copies in the Arabic, Russian and English languages, each text being equally authentic. In case of difference in interpretation, the English text shall prevail.

For the Government of the State of Kuwait : For the Government of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republies Mikhail Fedorovich BODROV

Saleh Abdul-Malek AL-SALEH