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UNITED NATIONS and AUSTRIA

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No. 9253. AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE UNITED FEDERAL NATIONS AND THE GOVERNMENT REGARDING THE ARRANGEMENTS UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE THEonROAD TRAFFIC. SIGNED AT VIENNA, ON 24 SEPTEMBER 1968

Whereas, in pursuance of resolutions 1082 B(XXXIX),² 1129 (XLI)³ and 1203 (XLII)⁴ of the Economic and Social Council, the United Nations Conference on Road Traffic will be held, upon the invitation of the Federal Government of Austria, in Vienna from 7 October to 8 November 1968,

The Government and the United Nations hereby agree as follows:

I. Premises, equipment, utilities and stationery supplies

- 1. The Government shall make available at its expense appropriate premises in the Neue Hofburg for the holding of the Conference. These premises shall include: two large conference rooms for plenary meetings and meetings of the Main Committee (Festsaal and Neuer Saal) with adequate seating for the public and press; one smaller conference room (the Ratssaal) for meetings of the Drafting Committee, the Credentials Committee and sub-committees and working groups; two small committee rooms for private meetings of delegations; suitable working areas and all necessary equipment for the press and other information media, for documents reproduction and for documents distribution; suitable office accommodation for officers and staff of the Conference; a public lobby with information and protocol desks; a delegates' lounge; and a large room for use by the interpreters as a combined office and lounge.
- 2. The premises shall remain at the disposition of the United Nations throughout the Conference and for such additional time in advance of the opening and after the closing as the United Nations Secretariat in consultation with

¹ Came into force on 24 September 1968 by signature, in accordance with article VIII (3).

² United Nations, Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Thirty-ninth Session, Supplement No. 1, p. 42.

³ United Nations, Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Forty-first Session,

Supplement No. 1, p. 36.

4 United Nations, Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Forty-second Session, Supplement No. 1, p. 22.

the Government shall deem necessary for the preparation and settlement of all matters connected with the Conference.

- 3. The Government shall at its expense furnish, equip and maintain in good repair all the aforementioned rooms and offices in a manner adequate to the effective conduct of the Conference. The Festsaal, Neuer Saal and Ratssaal shall be equipped for simultaneous interpretation in five languages and shall also have facilities for sound recording. The Government shall also provide suitable facilities for the press and other information media.
- 4. The Government shall at its expense furnish and maintain such equipment as mimeograph and other duplicating machines, typewriters with keyboards in the languages needed, tape recorders and such other equipment as necessary for the effective conduct of the Conference.
- 5. The Government shall provide, at the site of the Conference, bank, post office, and telephone and cable facilities, and a restaurant and a bar.
- 6. The Government shall pay for all necessary utility services, including telephone communications of the Secretariat of the Conference within Vienna and communications by telephone and telex between the Secretariat of the Conference and the United Nations Office at Geneva.
- 7. The United Nations shall provide at its expense all stationery supplies required for the adequate functioning of the Conference.

II. Transportation and accommodation

- 1. The Government shall provide at its expense four chauffeur-driven cars and four station wagons for use by the officers and staff of the Conference. The Government shall also make available at its expense such additional transportation as may be necessary to transport United Nations staff from the airport servicing Vienna to their hotels and from their hotels to the airport, and shall ensure adequate transportation between the Hofburg and the hotels for staff members working during the evening.
- 2. The Government shall make available facilities to assist delegations, secretariat, press and other participants in the Conference in making hotel reservations.

III. POLICE PROTECTION

The Government shall furnish at its expense such police protection as may be required to ensure the efficient functioning of the Conference 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 tranquility.

IV. Local personnel for the Conference

- 1. The Government shall nominate a liaison officer and a deputy liaison officer between it and the United Nations who shall be responsible for making the necessary arrangements as set forth in this Agreement.
- 2. The Government shall provide at its expense the sound engineers and other technical personnel required to ensure the proper functioning of the facilities referred to in section I, paragraphs 3 and 4 above. The Government shall also provide at its expense document reproduction and distribution staff, meeting officers and such clerical assistance and house staff as may be necessary, such as huissiers, messengers and cleaners, as well as drivers of the cars and station wagons referred to in section II above. At the request of the Government the United Nations will engage part of the staff referred to in this paragraph and in such instances the Government shall reimburse the United Nations.

V. FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS

In addition to making the above-mentioned facilities available to the Conference, the Government in pursuance of General Assembly resolution 2116 (XX) of 21 December 1965, shall assume responsibility for any additional expenditures to the United Nations budget, estimated at approximately \$75,500, that may be directly or indirectly incurred as a result of the holding of the Conference in Vienna rather than at the United Nations Office at Geneva. Reimbursement to the United Nations shall be made as soon as possible after the close of the Conference and not later than 31 March 1969.

VI. LIABILITY

The Government shall be responsible for dealing with any actions, claims or other demands arising out of (a) injury or damage to person or property in the premises referred to in section I above; (b) injury or damage to person or property caused by, or incurred in using, the transportation referred to in section II above; (c) the employment of the personnel referred to in section IV above, and the Government shall hold the United Nations and its personnel harmless in respect of any such actions, claims or other demands.

¹ United Nations, Official Records of the General Assembly, Twentieth Session, Supplement No. 14 (A/6014), p. 76.

VII. PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES

- 1. The Convention on Privileges and Immunities of the United Nations,¹ to which the Republic of Austria is a party, shall be applicable with respect to this Conference.
- 2. Representatives of Member States attending the Conference and officials of the United Nations concerned with the Conference shall be accorded the same privileges and immunities provided for in sections 23, 27 and 28 respectively of the Agreement between the United Nations and the Republic of Austria regarding the Headquarters of UNIDO, dated 13 April 1967.²
- 3. Representatives of States non-members of the United Nations attending the Conference shall enjoy the same privileges and immunities as are accorded to representatives of States Members of the United Nations.
- 4. Observers of the specialized agencies and other inter-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.
- 5. The Austrian authorities shall impose no impediment to transit to and from the Conference of the following categories of persons attending the Conference: representatives of Governments and their immediate families; observers of specialized agencies and inter-governmental organizations and their immediate families; officials and experts 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 other information media accredited by the United Nations at its discretion after consultation with the Government; and other persons invited to the Conference by the United Nations on official business. Any visa required for such persons shall be granted promptly and without charge.
- 6. The area designated under section I shall be deemed to constitute United Nations premises, and access to these premises shall be under the control and authority of the United Nations.

VIII. GENERAL PROVISIONS

1. This Agreement may be modified by written agreement between the United Nations and the Government.

¹ United Nations, Treaty Series, Vol. 1, p. 15, and Vol. 90, p. 327 (corrigendum to Vol. 1, p. 18).

² United Nations, Treaty Series, Vol. 600, p. 93.

- 2. The United Nations will in due course and in good time, and with at least two weeks notice, inform the Government in writing of the specific capacity, number or nature of the facilities it requires under this Agreement.
- 3. This Agreement shall enter into force when signed on behalf of both parties and shall remain in force for the duration of the Conference and for such time as is necessary for all matters relating to the Conference to be settled.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the respective representatives of the Federal Government of Austria and of the United Nations have signed this Agreement at Vienna in two originals in the English language this twenty-fourth day of September one thousand nine hundred and sixty-eight.

For the United Nations, on behalf of the Secretary-General:

V. WINSPEARE

For the Federal Government of Austria:

Kurt Waldheim