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**UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN
AND NORTHERN IRELAND
and
ETHIOPIA**

**Agreement concerning the establishment and the functions of
the British Council in Ethiopia. Signed at Addis Ababa
on 13 February 1969**

Authentic texts: English and Amharic.

*Registered by the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland on
8 August 1969.*

**ROYAUME-UNI DE GRANDE-BRETAGNE
ET D'IRLANDE DU NORD
et
ÉTHIOPIE**

**Accord relatif à l'établissement et à la mission du British Council
en Éthiopie. Signé à Addis-Abéba le 13 février 1969**

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AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND AND THE IMPERIAL ETHIOPIAN GOVERNMENT CONCERNING THE ESTABLISHMENT AND THE FUNCTIONS OF THE BRITISH COUNCIL IN ETHIOPIA

The Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Imperial Ethiopian Government;

Desiring to strengthen the ties of friendship and to further co-operation between their two countries in educational, technical and cultural matters;

Have agreed as follows:

Article I

The Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland designate and the Imperial Ethiopian Government pursuant to paragraph 12 of the Memorandum on Technical Assistance between the two Governments signed on the eighteenth day of August 1967, accept the British Council as the competent agency to promote friendly co-operation in educational, scientific, technical and cultural matters between their two countries.

Article II

To achieve the purpose of this Agreement the British Council may perform the following functions:

- (a) to assist in the promotion of wider knowledge of the English language and literature in schools and other institutions of learning in Ethiopia by facilitating the recruitment of British teachers and lecturers on such terms as shall be agreed between the Ministry of Planning and Development of the Imperial Ethiopian Government and the British Council;

¹ Came into force on 13 February 1969 by signature, in accordance with article VI.

- (b) provide and operate in Ethiopia libraries of British books;
- (c) arrange with the approval of the Ministry of Education and/or the Ministry of Information of the Imperial Ethiopian Government (as appropriate) programmes of educational talks, lectures, broadcasts and film and television shows and other cultural activities;
- (d) organise educational, scientific and artistic exhibitions;
- (e) provide, with the approval of the Ministry of Education of the Imperial Ethiopian Government or its duly authorised agents, bursaries and scholarships in Britain for suitably qualified nationals of Ethiopia;
- (f) facilitate visits by scientists, research scholars and students between the two countries;
- (g) facilitate close co-operation between the professional organisations and the educational, scientific and cultural institutions in the two countries;
- (h) assist on behalf of the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland in administering the programmes of technical assistance in the field of education to the Imperial Ethiopian Government in accordance with the principles of the Memorandum on Technical Assistance between the Government of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Imperial Ethiopian Government signed at Addis Ababa on the eighteenth day of August 1967;
- (i) discharge such other responsibilities as it may from time to time assume at the request of the Contracting Governments.

Article III

The Imperial Ethiopian Government shall give every facility to the British Council to import without customs duty or import tax all materials and equipment (including motor vehicles) for use in implementing the purposes of this Agreement as stipulated in Article II, as found necessary and agreed upon by the Contracting Parties.

Article IV

The Imperial Ethiopian Government shall grant to the Representative appointed by the British Council to discharge its responsibilities under this

Agreement and to the United Kingdom based members of his staff and their families:

- (a) exemption from all customs duty or import tax on all personal and household effects, including a private motor vehicle subject to re-export or payment of tax if sold in Ethiopia;
- (b) exemption from income tax and other tax or levies on all remuneration or earnings which they shall receive from British sources.

Article V

The Imperial Ethiopian Government shall grant to United Kingdom based British teachers, together with their families, whose recruitment for service in Ethiopia is arranged or facilitated by or through the British Council in terms of this Agreement:

- (a) exemption, within six months of first arrival in Ethiopia, from all customs duty or import tax on all personal and household effects subject to re-export or payment of tax if sold in Ethiopia;
- (b) exemption from income tax and other tax or levies on all remuneration or earnings which they shall receive from British sources.

Article VI

This Agreement shall enter into force on the date of its signature and shall remain in force for a period of five years. Thereafter it shall continue in force until the expiry of six months from the date on which either Contracting Government shall have given written notice of withdrawal to the other.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the undersigned, being duly authorised thereto by their respective Governments, have signed this Agreement.

DONE in duplicate at Addis Ababa, the thirteenth day of February 1969, in English and Amharic, both texts being equally authoritative.

For the Government
of the United Kingdom of Great
Britain and Northern Ireland:
T. E. BROMLEY

For the Imperial Ethiopian
Government:
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