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[TRANSLATION — TRADUCTION]

AGREEMENT¹ ON ECONOMIC, INDUSTRIAL AND TECHNICAL CO-OPERATION BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF BULGARIA AND THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT OF AUSTRIA

The Government of the People's Republic of Bulgaria and the Federal Government of Austria, desiring to develop economic, industrial and technical co-operation in the mutual interests of both countries, have agreed as follows :

Article 1

The two Contracting Parties are of the opinion that conditions exist for a further development of economic, industrial and technical co-operation, and they declare their willingness to encourage such co-operation in all possible fields. Consequently, within the limits of the possibilities open to them and in accordance with the legislation in force in the two countries, they shall in particular promote co-operation between enterprises :

(a) With a view to making better use of existing production capacity and creating new production facilities;

(b) With a view to the joint planning and execution of economic projects and, where appropriate, the joint operation of such projects, both in the two countries and for third markets;

(c) With a view to expanding production programmes;

(d) With a view to the joint manufacture of goods involving the processing of customers' materials, or other forms of co-operative production, both to meet their own requirements and to supply third markets;

(e) With a view to the extraction and processing of raw materials;

(f) With a view to the improvement and perfection of existing production procedures, and the adoption of new procedures, through the exchange of documentation, licences, experts and technical assistance.

In addition, co-operation between the economic and technical research institutes of the two countries, with a view to developing new and improved technical procedures, shall also be envisaged.

In this connexion, particular consideration shall be given to exchanges of experience and the sharing of experimental and research assignments.

¹ Came into force on 6 May 1968 by signature, in accordance with article 7.

Article 2

The terms on which economic, industrial and technical co-operation is to be extended in each case shall be established in agreements between the participating enterprises and institutes in accordance with the legislation in force in the two countries.

Article 3

The two Parties agree to take the necessary steps to ensure compliance with the obligations assumed under international conventions on the protection of industrial property.

Article 4

Deliveries of goods in pursuance of the above-mentioned co-operation agreements shall, in principle, be effected in accordance with the terms of the existing Trade Agreement between the two countries.

It is agreed that the necessary import permits may be issued for the delivery, in connexion with the above-mentioned co-operation agreements, of goods which are not included in the current schedules or for which the quotas have already been filled.

Article 5

Payments arising from a co-operation arrangement of this kind shall be made in conformity with the legislation in force in the two countries and in accordance with the provisions of the Payments Agreement in force between them.

Article 6

For the application of this Agreement, the Government of the People's Republic of Bulgaria and the Federal Government of Austria shall establish a Mixed Commission which shall meet at least once a year alternately at Sofia and Vienna. It shall submit proposals and recommendations to the two Governments. The Commission may invite representatives of the interested parties to discuss specific cases of co-operation.

Article 7

This Agreement shall enter into force on the date of its signature.

It may be denounced by either Contracting Party on six months' notice given in writing through the diplomatic channel.

DONE at Vienna, on 6 May 1968, in duplicate in the Bulgarian and German languages, both texts being equally authentic.

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