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AGREEMENT¹ RELATING TO SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNI-CAL CO-OPERATION BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

The Government of the Commonwealth of Australia and the Government of the United States of America.

RECOGNIZING that scientific and technical co-operation will advance the state of science and strengthen the bonds of friendship to their mutual benefit,

DESIRING to promote in areas of common interest the closest collaboration between the civil scientific agencies or institutions of both countries,

HAVE AGREED as follows :

Article 1

The principal object of this co-operation is to provide additional opportunities to exchange ideas, information, skills and techniques, to collaborate on problems of mutual interest, to work together in unique environments and to utilize special facilities.

Article 2

To the extent that the Governments agree, this co-operation may include the exchange of scientists and technical experts, the pursuit of joint research activities, the convocation of joint meetings, and any other joint activity which may further such co-operation. The scientists and experts involved may be those in Government agencies or in academic or other institutions of either country.

Article 3

In appropriate cases scientists, experts, agencies or institutions of third countries may be encouraged to participate in particular co-operative projects or programmes.

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Article 4

Each Government shall bear, in accordance with its appropriate financial and budgetary processes and subject to the availability of funds, the costs of discharging its responsibilities under particular projects or programmes; in specific cases the costs shall be borne as agreed between the respective Governments.

Article 5

Each Government shall facilitate entry to and exit from its territory of personnel and equipment of the other country, engaged on or used in projects and programmes under this Agreement.

Article 6

Scientific information derived from a co-operative activity under this Agreement will be made available to the world's scientific community through customary channels and in accordance with the normal procedures of each Government for the particular activity.

Article 7

The two Governments will jointly review the progress of co-operation under this Agreement from time to time.

Article 8

The two Governments may conclude implementing arrangements through appropriate channels with respect to particular projects or programmes in the scientific and technical field. An implementing arrangement may specify the area of co-operation, the agencies involved, the procedures to be followed, including financial arrangements, and other appropriate matters. The terms of this Agreement shall apply to the implementing arrangement unless the parties otherwise agree.

Article 9

Upon the request of either Government the two Governments shall consult with regard to any amendment of, or other matter relating to this Agreement or any implementing arrangement made under this Agreement.

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Article 10

Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to prejudice other arrangements for scientific and technical co-operation between the two Governments.

Article 11

This Agreement shall enter into force upon signature and shall remain in force for five years unless extended by agreement between the two Governments. The termination of this Agreement shall not affect the validity or duration of any implementing arrangement made under it.

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

DONE at Canberra, this sixteenth day of October, One thousand nine hundred and sixty-eight in duplicate in the English language.

| For the Government | For the Government |
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| Malcolm Fraser | Donald D. CORNIG |