

**No. 12642**

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**FINLAND  
and  
GERMAN DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC**

**Agreement concerning the establishment of diplomatic relations. Signed at Helsinki on 8 December 1972**

*Authentic texts : Finnish and German.*

*Registered by Finland on 25 June 1973.*

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**FINLANDE  
et  
RÉPUBLIQUE DÉMOCRATIQUE ALLEMANDE**

**Accord relatif à l'établissement de relations diplomatiques.  
Signé à Helsinki le 8 décembre 1972**

*Textes authentiques : finnois et allemand.*

*Enregistré par la Finlande le 25 juin 1973.*

[TRANSLATION — TRADUCTION]

AGREEMENT<sup>1</sup> BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC  
OF FINLAND AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE GERMAN  
DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC CONCERNING THE ESTABLISH-  
MENT OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS

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The Government of the Republic of Finland and the Government of the German Democratic Republic have agreed to exchange diplomatic representatives having the rank of Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary in accordance with the generally recognized rules of international law laid down in the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations of 18 April 1961.<sup>2</sup>

This Agreement shall enter into force 30 days after the date of its signature.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the plenipotentiaries of the Contracting Parties have signed this Agreement and have thereto affixed their seals.

DONE at Helsinki on 8 December 1972, in duplicate in the Finnish and German languages, both texts being equally authentic.

For the Government of the Republic of Finland :  
AHTI KARJALAINEN

For the Government of the German Democratic Republic :  
OTTO WINZER

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<sup>1</sup> Came into force on 7 January 1973, i.e. 30 days after the date of signature, in accordance with the provisions of the Agreement.

<sup>2</sup> United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 500, p. 95.