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**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
and
UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS**

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Signed at Washington on 19 June 1973**

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**ÉTATS-UNIS D'AMÉRIQUE
et
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**Accord sur la coopération en matière de transports. Signé à
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AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS ON COOPERATION IN THE FIELD OF TRANSPORTATION

The Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics;

Recognizing the important role played by safe and efficient transportation systems in the development of all countries;

Considering that the improvement of existing transportation systems and techniques can benefit both of their peoples;

Believing that the combined efforts of the two countries in this field can contribute to more rapid and efficient solutions of transportation problems than would be possible through separate, parallel national efforts;

Desiring to promote the establishment of long-term and productive relationships between transportation specialists and institutions of both countries;

In pursuance and further development of the Agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics on cooperation in the fields of science and technology of May 24, 1972,² and in accordance with the Agreement on exchanges and cooperation in scientific, technical, educational, cultural and other fields of April 11, 1972,³ and in accordance with the Agreement on cooperation in the field of environmental protection of May 23, 1972;⁴

Have agreed as follows:

Article 1. The Parties will develop and carry out cooperation in the field of transportation on the basis of mutual benefit, equality and reciprocity.

Article 2. This cooperation will be directed to the investigation and solution of specific problems of mutual interest in the field of transportation. Initially, cooperation will be implemented in the following areas:

- a. Construction of bridges and tunnels, including problems of control of structure stress and fracture, and special construction procedures under cold climatic conditions.
- b. Railway transport, including problems of rolling stock, track and roadbed, high speed traffic, automation, and cold weather operation.
- c. Civil aviation, including problems of increasing efficiency and safety.
- d. Marine transport, including technology of maritime shipping and cargo handling in seaports.
- e. Automobile transport, including problems of traffic safety.

Other areas of cooperation may be added by mutual agreement.

¹ Came into force on 19 June 1973 by signature, in accordance with article 7 (1).

² United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 852, p. 141.

³ *Ibid.*, p. 105.

⁴ *Ibid.*, vol. 846, p. 105.

Article 3. Cooperation provided for in the preceding articles may take the following forms:

- a. Exchange of scientists and specialists;
- b. Exchange of scientific and technical information and documentation;
- c. Convening of joint conferences, meetings and seminars; and
- d. Joint planning, development and implementation of research programs and projects.

Other forms of cooperation may be added by mutual agreement.

Article 4. In furtherance of the aims of this Agreement, the Parties will, as appropriate, encourage, facilitate and monitor the development of cooperation and direct contacts between agencies, organizations and firms of the two countries, including the conclusion, as appropriate, of implementing agreements for carrying out specific projects and programs under this Agreement.

Article 5. 1. For the implementation of this Agreement, there shall be established a US-USSR Joint Committee on Cooperation in Transportation. This Committee shall meet, as a rule, once a year, alternately in the United States and the Soviet Union, unless otherwise mutually agreed.

2. The Joint Committee shall take such action as is necessary for effective implementation of this Agreement including, but not limited to, approval of specific projects and programs of cooperation; designation of appropriate agencies and organizations to be responsible for carrying out cooperative activities; and making recommendations, as appropriate, to the Parties.

3. Each Party shall designate its Executive Agent which will be responsible for carrying out this Agreement. During the period between meetings of the Joint Committee, the Executive Agents shall maintain contact with each other, keep each other informed of activities and progress in implementing this Agreement, and coordinate and supervise the development and implementation of cooperative activities conducted under this Agreement.

Article 6. Nothing in this Agreement shall be interpreted to prejudice other agreements between the Parties or their respective rights and obligations under such other agreements.

Article 7. 1. This Agreement shall enter into force upon signature and shall remain in force for five years. It may be modified or extended by mutual agreement of the Parties.

2. The termination of this Agreement shall not affect the validity of implementing agreements concluded under this Agreement between interested agencies, organizations and firms of the two countries.

DONE at Washington, this 19th day of June, 1973, in duplicate, in the English and Russian languages, both texts being equally authentic.

For the Government
of the United States of America:

[Signed — Signé]¹

For the Government
of the Union of Soviet
Socialist Republics:

[Signed — Signé]²

¹ Signed by William P. Rogers — Signé par William P. Rogers.

² Signed by A. Gromyko — Signé par A. Gromyko.