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**WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION  
and  
AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK**

**Agreement for co-operation. Signed at Geneva on  
1 November 1974**

*Authentic texts: English and French.*

*Filed and recorded at the request of the World Health Organization on 23 December  
1974.*

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**ORGANISATION MONDIALE DE LA SANTÉ  
et  
BANQUE AFRICAINE DE DÉVELOPPEMENT**

**Accord de coopération. Signé à Genève le 1<sup>er</sup> novembre  
1974**

*Textes authentiques : anglais et français.*

*Classé et inscrit au répertoire à la demande de l'Organisation mondiale de la santé le  
23 décembre 1974.*

## AGREEMENT FOR CO-OPERATION<sup>1</sup> BETWEEN THE AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK AND THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION

The African Development Bank (hereinafter referred to as “ADB”) and the World Health Organization (hereinafter referred to as “WHO”);

Considering that the improvement of health as an important element in socio-economic development is a common concern to their African member States;

Desirous of co-operating in the provision of assistance to their African member States in the field of health and other related fields and in their joint endeavour to improve and raise the standards and conditions of health of the people in these countries and create the proper framework through which such co-operation and assistance may be achieved;

Have agreed as follows:

### *Article 1. SCOPE*

(a) ADB and WHO shall co-operate in the provision of assistance to member States in Africa of both organizations in the promotion of health in these States. Without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, this assistance shall include:

- (1) creation of new health infrastructure and institutions and their improvement or extension;
- (2) improvement of medical and public health education and biomedical research;
- (3) provision of potable water and sewerage disposal systems, including training programmes for key professionals and health technicians;
- (4) control of communicable disease;
- (5) promotion and strengthening of health services related to urban and rural development.

(b) Such assistance shall, to the extent possible, emphasize preventive health measures, and shall form a part of a national health plan within the total framework of their socio-economic development without prejudice to the ADB's financial criteria.

### *Article 2. PROCEDURE FOR CO-OPERATION*

(a) ADB and WHO shall consult with each other and shall keep each other informed on their activities which may offer possibilities of co-operation under this Agreement.

(b) Assistance may be proposed by either ADB or WHO to any member State or members of the two organizations. The two organizations shall decide, after consultation, on the services to be performed and the measures to be taken.

(c) ADB and WHO shall similarly consider any request for assistance from any government or governments of member States of the two organizations.

(d) ADB and WHO shall endeavour to promote the growth and advancement of African expertise in the fields of their joint activities under this Agreement.

(e) WHO may be designated as Executing Agency by ADB for the implementation of activities outlined in article 1 financed by the latter, or through funds made available to ADB upon the request of governments for assistance.

<sup>1</sup> Came into force on 1 November 1974, the date of signature, in accordance with article 4 (a).

(f) Activities undertaken with governments under this Agreement shall be formalized by tripartite agreements or plans of operation which shall outline the plan of action as well as the specific commitments of ADB and WHO and the government concerned. Such agreements or plans of operation shall be signed by the two organizations and government.

(g) Should certain co-operative activities require the establishment of joint ADB/WHO missions, the method for establishing such missions and the schedules thereof shall be determined in joint consultation between the secretariats of the organizations.

(h) The channels of communication between ADB and WHO shall be between the President of ADB and the Director-General of WHO. When necessary, periodic meetings may be held by the two organizations.

### Article 3. RESPONSIBILITY FOR EXECUTION

(a) WHO shall retain full technical responsibility for any assistance or activity covered by this Agreement, which falls under its functions as the Specialized Agency of the United Nations in the field of health.

(b) ADB may make suggestions or proposals to WHO in relation to its activities under paragraph (a) of this article.

### Article 4. FINAL PROVISIONS

(a) This Agreement shall enter into force following signature by the President of ADB and the Director-General of WHO, and, after approval by the competent bodies of ADB and WHO.

(b) This Agreement may be modified or supplemented by agreement between ADB and WHO, each of which shall give full and sympathetic consideration to any request by the other for such modifications.

(c) The Executive Heads of the two organizations may enter into such supplementary arrangements for the implementation of this Agreement as may be found desirable in the light of the operating experience of the two organizations.

(d) This Agreement shall remain in force for an indefinite period of time. However, either party may terminate it at any time upon giving six months advance notice in writing to the other party.

(e) In the event of termination of this Agreement by either party, both parties shall co-operate to ensure that all arrangements made thereunder are settled in an orderly fashion. In the event of termination of this Agreement by ADB, ADB shall reimburse WHO for any financial obligations it may have incurred in connexion with co-operation arrangements under this Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the President of ADB and the Director-General of WHO have signed this Agreement in four copies in English and French, and two texts being equally authentic.

[Signed — Signé]<sup>1</sup>  
 President  
 African Development Bank  
 Date: 1 November 1974

[Signed — Signé]<sup>2</sup>  
 Director-General  
 World Health Organization  
 Date: 1 November 1974

<sup>1</sup> Signed by A. Labidi — Signé par A. Labidi.

<sup>2</sup> Signed by H. Mahler — Signé par H. Mahler.