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and
ORGANISATION OF AFRICAN UNITY**

**Agreement on co-operation. Signed at New York on 9 April
1975 and at Addis Ababa on 24 April 1975**

Authentic texts: French and English.

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**ORGANISATION DES NATIONS UNIES
(PROGRAMME DES NATIONS UNIES
POUR LE DÉVELOPPEMENT)**

et

ORGANISATION DE L'UNITÉ AFRICAINE

**Accord de coopération. Signé à New York le 9 avril 1975 et
à Addis-Abéba le 24 avril 1975**

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AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE ORGANISATION OF AFRICAN UNITY AND THE UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

The Organisation of African Unity and
The United Nations Development Programme

Considering that the Charter of the Organisation of African Unity (hereafter called the OAU) prescribes for it *inter alia* the aims of strengthening the unity and solidarity of its Member States, intensifying their co-operation and their efforts to provide better living conditions to the people of Africa as well as promoting international co-operation;

Considering that one of the aims of the United Nations Development Programme (hereafter called the UNDP) is to help countries which are not sufficiently developed to strengthen their national economies, in particular through the development of their human and natural resources, their industries and their agriculture, in order to promote their economic and political independence in the spirit of the United Nations Charter; and to enable the populations of those countries to reach a higher standard of living in the economic and social fields;

Desirous of contributing to the effective achievement in Africa of their common aims and convinced that their co-operation is a favourable element for achieving those aims;

Article I. AREAS OF CO-OPERATION

Within the context of the duties, activities and constitutional instruments of the two institutions, the OAU and the UNDP agree to co-operate on questions which are within the field of economic and social development and which are of common interest to both organisations.

Article II. EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION

Subject to arrangements which may be required to safeguard the confidential or restricted character of certain information and documents, the two organisations will exchange information and documents on questions of common interest for the two organisations. In particular

a) The OAU will inform the UNDP of projects which are in the economic and social field and concern the development of OAU activities in the territory of Member States of OAU, and will examine all proposals concerning projects of this nature which may be communicated to it by the UNDP;

b) The UNDP will keep the OAU informed of intercountry projects benefiting from its assistance in countries which are Members of the OAU and will examine all proposals which may be communicated to it by the OAU concerning projects relevant to economic and social development of these countries.

Article III. RECIPROCAL REPRESENTATION

1. Subject to the decisions that may be taken by its governing bodies concerning the attendance of its meetings by observers, the OAU will invite the UNDP to send observers to all meetings of its specialized committees which relate to UNDP

¹ Came into force on 24 April 1975 by signature, in accordance with article V(1).

activities and to other meetings, to which observers are admitted, where questions of interest to the UNDP are to be discussed.

2. Subject to the decisions that may be taken by its Governing Council concerning the granting of the status of "observers" to the inter-governmental regional organisations for its meetings, and any other relevant decision of the Governing Council, the UNDP will invite OAU to send observers to all meetings of the Governing Council of the UNDP to which observers are admitted. UNDP will also invite OAU to other UNDP meetings to which observers are admitted and where questions of interest to OAU are to be discussed.

Article IV. MUTUAL CO-OPERATION

1. Whenever the growth of UNDP and OAU activities in the field of common interest makes it desirable, one of the organisations may request co-operation from the other when the latter is particularly fitted to assist in the development of its activities.

2. Each organisation will endeavour as far as is possible under its constitutional instruments and decisions of its governing bodies to respond favourably to such requests for co-operation in accordance with procedures to be agreed upon.

3. Similarly, and insofar as is possible under their respective constitutional instruments and decisions of their respective governing bodies, the two organisations will assist one another for the vocational training of different categories of personnel, in particular administration and conference officers, and specialists in economic and social questions.

4. Furthermore, in keeping with relevant resolutions of the United Nations General Assembly, the UNDP is willing to assist, within the framework of its constitutional instruments and decisions of its governing bodies, the colonial peoples in Africa struggling for their liberation from colonial rule.

Article V. ENTRY INTO FORCE AND REVISION

1. This Agreement will become effective on the date of its signature by the duly authorized representatives of the OAU and the UNDP.

2. This Agreement may be modified by agreement of the two Parties.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the Parties hereto, through their representatives whose names appear below, have signed this Agreement on the dates indicated beneath their signature.

This Agreement exists in two copies, one in French and one in English, the text in either language being equally valid for the UNDP and for the OAU.

For the United Nations
Development Programme:

[Signed]

MICHEL DOO KINGUÉ
Assistant Administrator and
Regional Director for Africa

New York, 9 April 1975

For the Organisation
of African Unity:

[Signed]

WILLIAM ETEKI MBOUMOUA
Administrative Secretary General

Addis Ababa, 24 April 1975