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AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF AUSTRALIA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF INDIA ON CO- OPERATION IN THE FIELDS OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

The Government of Australia and the Government of the Republic of India,
Desirous of promoting scientific and technological cooperation, and
Convinced of the utility of such cooperation for further strengthening the ex-
isting friendly relations between the two countries
Have agreed on the following:

Article I. The Government of Australia and the Government of India shall continue to promote opportunities for cooperation between the two countries in the fields of civil scientific and technological research and development.

Article II. With the consent of both Governments, such cooperation may be implemented in the following forms:

- (a) the exchange of scientific and technical information and documentation;
- (b) the exchange of scientists and other personnel engaged in activities in the fields of scientific and technological research and development;
- (c) the pursuit of joint research activities and any other joint activities for the furtherance of scientific and technical cooperation; and
- (d) other forms of cooperation to be arranged by mutual consent.

Article III. Both Governments shall facilitate the establishment of direct contacts and cooperation between scientific and technical organisations of both countries and the conclusion where necessary of separate implementing arrangements.

Such implementing arrangements shall be concluded in accordance with the laws and regulations of both countries.

Article IV. Expenses connected with the implementation of visits referred to in Article 2(b) will be paid by the Government of the sending country unless some alternative arrangement is made.

Financial arrangements for the support of other forms of cooperation referred to in Article II may be determined where necessary.

Article V. The two Governments shall within the framework of their respective national laws and regulations ensure that the goods of a scientific nature which are imported or exported in pursuance of the present Agreement or in implementing arrangements concluded under Article 3, are exempted from customs duties and other charges levied in respect of importation or exportation.

Article VI. Subject to consultation between the two Governments, scientific information obtained as a result of joint scientific research carried out within the framework of this Agreement, will be made available to the world's scientific community.

¹ Came into force on 26 February 1975 by signature, in accordance with article IX.

Article VII. This Agreement does not preclude other scientific and technical cooperation between the two countries.

Article VIII. In order to facilitate the implementation of this Agreement and to review the arrangements made under it, scientific representatives of the two Governments shall meet at the time of the annual officials' talks of the two countries and jointly review the progress of cooperation under the Agreement.

Article IX. This Agreement shall enter into force upon signature and shall remain in force for a period of five years. Thereafter it shall remain in force until either Government delivers written notification to the other of its intention to terminate the Agreement, in which case the Agreement will cease to have effect 12 months after the receipt of such notification. The termination of this Agreement shall not affect the validity or duration of any implementing arrangements made under it.

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

DONE in duplicate in New Delhi on the Twenty Sixth day of February one thousand nine hundred and seventy-five in two copies in the English language.

For the Government
of Australia:

[Signed]

D. R. WILLESEE
Minister for Foreign Affairs

For the Government
of India:

[Signed]

Y. B. CHAVAN
Minister for Foreign Affairs