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AGREEMENT' ON TECHNICAL CO-OPERATION BETWEEN THE FEDERATIVE REPUBLIC OF BRAZIL AND THE REPUBLIC OF DAHOMEY

The Government of the Federative Republic of Brazil and the Revolutionary Military Government of the Republic of Dahomey;

Desiring to promote mutual awareness and greater understanding between the two countries;

Considering the need to create conditions which will permit access to specific experience and knowledge acquired by the Contracting Parties in the fields of industry, agriculture, science and public administration;

Convinced that such an exchange of specific experience and knowledge can be applied immediately and can be of unquestionable benefit given the similarity in the tropical ecological conditions and the fact that the two countries are in the process of development;

Desiring to expedite the training and advanced training of their technical personnel:

Have agreed as follows:

- Article I. The Contracting Parties shall organize study and information visits for senior officials responsible for formulating and implementing the development plans and programme of their respective countries, with a view to familiarizing them with the conditions and facilities existing in the other Party in the fields of industry, agriculture, science, public administration and methodology for the basic vocational training and advanced vocational training of technical personnel.
- Article II. On the basis of the information acquired in the course of such visits, the Contracting Parties may, in cases recognized as being of importance, formulate technical co-operation programmes involving, inter alia:
- (a) the assignment of experts, individually or in groups;
- (b) the exchange of information on questions of common interest;
- (c) the supply of equipment essential for the implementation of a specific project;
- (d) vocational training and advanced vocational training in all the above-mentioned fields.
- Article III. The vocational training and advanced vocational training programmes and projects may be implemented either by receiving fellowship holders or by assigning teachers or qualified technical personnel.
- Article IV. The Contracting Parties shall, as far as possible, endeavour to coordinate the programmes and projects referred to in article II with ongoing programmes and projects.
- Article V. Each Party may designate competent public or private institutions for the implementation of specific programmes or projects.

¹ Came into force on 22 April 1974, the date when each Contracting Party notified the other of the completion of the required formalities, in accordance with article X(2).

Article VI. Experts and teachers appointed by one of the Parties shall provide the experts and teachers of the other Party with all necessary information concerning the techniques, practices and methods applicable in their respective fields, together with the principles on which such methods are based.

Article VII. The Contracting Party receiving experts and teachers shall take the necessary measures to enable them to carry out their mission in a satisfactory manner.

Article VIII. In preparing a technical co-operation programme or a specific project, the Contracting Parties shall determine the means of financing by agreement.

- Article IX. 1. Each Contracting Party shall apply the following provisions to experts and teachers of the other Party:
- (a) admission free of all customs duties, taxes and other related charges, with the exception of charges for storage, cartage and similar services, of furniture and personal effects imported by such experts and teachers and members of their families forming part of their households on their initial installation in the territory of either Contracting Party, or on their return following a renewal of their respective contracts;
- (b) entitlement to duty-free importation shall be granted for a period of six months from the date of arrival of the individuals concerned in the territory of either Contracting Party.
- 2. Materials and equipment intended for a specific project in the territory of either Contracting Party shall be exempt from all customs duties, taxes and other import charges, regardless of whether the goods in question are imported directly or through a commercial establishment.
- Article X. 1. Each Contracting Party shall notify the other of the completion of the formalities necessary, as far as it is concerned, for the entry into force of this Agreement.
- 2. This Agreement shall enter into force on the date of the completion of the last of the formalities established by each Contracting Party.
- Article XI. 1. Either Contracting Party may denounce this Agreement by written notice to the other Contracting Party. The denunciation shall take effect six months after the date of such notice.
- 2. The denunciation shall not affect ongoing programmes and projects, unless the Parties agree otherwise.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, duly authorized for this purpose by their respective Governments, have signed this Agreement and have affixed thereto their respective seals.

DONE at Cotonou on 7 November 1972 in duplicate, in the Portuguese and French languages, both texts being equally authentic.

For the Government of the Federative Republic of Brazil:

For the Revolutionary Military Government of the Republic of Dahomey:

Ambassador, Mario Gibson Barboza Minister for Foreign Affairs

Major MICHEL ALLADAYE Minister for Foreign Affairs