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AGREEMENT' ON COCONUT AND COCONUT PRODUCTS BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF INDONESIA

The Government of the Republic of the Philippines and the Government of the Republic of Indonesia,

Desirous of promoting economic and technical cooperation based on mutual benefit,

Recognizing that the Philippines and Indonesia are major producers and suppliers of coconut and coconut products,

Convinced that the present world situation and future outlook for the coconut industry call for joint and concerted action on the part of coconut-producing countries.

Referring to the Basic Agreement on Economic and Technical Cooperation between the Government of the Republic of the Philippines and the Government of the Republic of Indonesia, signed on 8th day of August 1974² and to all the objectives, programmes, and activities of the Asian Coconut Community' of which both Governments are members, and subject to each country's laws, rules, and regulations, have agreed as follows:

Article I. The Government of the Republic of the Philippines and the Government of the Republic of Indonesia hereby commit their full support to the Asian Coconut Community and to its objectives, programmes and activities. Accordingly, the principles and activities enumerated in this Agreement shall be carried out within the framework of the Asian Coconut Community and in concert with its member countries, with a view to furthering the Community's objectives, programmes and activities.

Within this framework, both Governments shall take measures to assist each other in the development of their coconut industries and shall take joint and concerted action whenever possible in the marketing of their coconut products in world trade as specified in the following Articles of this Agreement:

Article II. Both Governments shall establish joint programmes designed to solve common problems affecting coconut production. Such programmes shall be aimed at lowering cost of production, increasing productivity, controlling and eliminating coconut pests and diseases, improving quality, and in other ways improving and rationalizing coconut production in both countries.

Both Governments shall take coordinated action to the fullest extent possible to establish and develop coconut processing industries where they do not exist, to assist each other in the improvement of such industries where they now exist, and to promote diversification of these industries.

¹ Applied provisionally from 8 August 1974, the date of signature, and came into force definitively on 4 June 1975 after an exchange of notes to that effect, in accordance with article VII.

² See p. 283 of this volume.

³ See "Agreement establishing the Asian Coconut Community", in United Nations, Treaty Series, vol. 684, p. 163.

Both Governments shall assist each other in the establishment and development of industries that will utilize or seek new ways of utilizing coconut by-products.

Both Governments shall assist each other in the formulation and execution of joint programmes on coconut by-products.

Article III. The Governments of the Republic of the Philippines and of the Republic of Indonesia hereby agree that joint and concerted action in the marketing of their coconut products within the framework, and whenever possible in concert with the members of the Asian Coconut Community, will result in their mutual benefit and therefore agree further that they shall take such action whenever possible.

Both Governments agree to hold regular consultations on economic intelligence and marketing strategy of coconut products in world trade.

Both Governments shall assist each other in the supply of coconut products on a Government-to-Government basis whenever possible.

Both Governments shall strive to assist each other in the improvement of storage and warehousing facilities for coconut and coconut products, establishing common facilities wherever it is of mutual benefit.

Article IV. Both Governments shall strive to promote, whenever possible, joint programmes and action on scientific, technological, and economic research on coconut including among others, the production, processing, marketing, and technical aspects thereof.

Both Governments shall endeavour to establish education, training, and exchange programmes for coconut experts, researchers and trainees.

Each Government shall compile and exchange with the other all information pertinent to the coconut industry.

- Article V. The implementing action set forth in this Agreement shall be carried out whenever necessary through contracts or separate agreements concluded between appropriate Philippine and Indonesian entities, both public and private, in which the scope and terms of mutual rights and obligations shall be established within the framework of the Asian Coconut Community.
- Article VI. Both Governments agree to grant to nationals or legal entities of the other country treatment in trade, investments and other economic activities relative to coconut-based industries and their products no less favourable than that accorded to any other country, with due regard to their respective bilateral as well as multilateral commitments.

This Agreement shall not preclude the consideration by either Government of preferential arrangements in trade and other economic activities relative to coconut-based industries and their products, between and/or among ASEAN countries.

Article VII. This Agreement shall come into force provisionally on the date of signing. It shall definitively come into force after an exchange of notes to that effect between the two Governments and shall remain in force for a period of one year following the exchange of notes.

Upon expiry of this period the Agreement will automatically remain in force for further periods of one year each. After the initial period of one year, either Government may:

a. propose in writing to the other Government the revision of the present Agreement to be mutually discussed and agreed upon;

b. terminate the present Agreement by giving three months prior written notice to the other Government.

Any revision or termination of this Agreement shall be without prejudice to any rights or obligations which have accrued or which have been incurred prior to the effective date of such revision or termination.

Article VIII. This Agreement supersedes the Agreement on Coconut and Coconut Products concluded between the Government of the Republic of the Philippines and the Government of the Republic of Indonesia on May 30, 1969.

In witness whereof, the undersigned representatives, being duly authorized by their respective Governments, have signed this Agreement.

Done in Jakarta, Indonesia, on this eighth day of August, one thousand nine hundred and seventy-four, in two originals, in the English language, both texts being authentic.

For the Government of the Republic of the Philippines:

[Signed]

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