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# FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY and MAURITANIA

### Agreement concerning financial assistance. Signed at Nouakchott on 29 November 1975

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## RÉPUBLIQUE FÉDÉRALE D'ALLEMAGNE et MAURITANIE

## Accord d'aide financière. Signé à Nouakchott le 29 novembre 1975

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#### AGREEMENT' BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF MAURITANIA CONCERNING FINAN-CIAL ASSISTANCE

The Government of the Federal Republic of Germany and the Government of the Islamic Republic of Mauritania,

Considering the friendly relations existing between the Federal Republic of Germany and the Islamic Republic of Mauritania,

Desiring to strengthen and intensify these friendly relations by fruitful cooperation in the field of development assistance,

Being aware that the maintenance of these relations is the basis for the present Agreement,

Purposing to contribute to the economic and social development of the Islamic Republic of Mauritania,

Have agreed as follows:

Article 1. The Government of the Federal Republic of Germany shall enable the Government of the Islamic Republic of Mauritania, or another borrower to be selected by agreement between the two Governments, to obtain from the Kreditanstalt für Wiederaufbau (Reconstruction Loan Corporation), Frankfurt-on-Main, for the development of the Nema airport and for the development of another airport—provided that, after being studied, these projects are found to merit support—loans not exceeding a total of seven million eight hundred thousand Deutsche Mark. Of this amount, seven million Deutsche Mark shall be earmarked for the development of the Nema airport in addition to the sum of ten million Deutsche Mark granted under the governmental Agreement of 18 January 1975.<sup>2</sup>

(2) The Government of the Federal Republic of Germany and the Government of the Islamic Republic of Mauritania may decide by agreement to substitute other projects for the projects specified in paragraph 1.

Article 2. (1) The utilization of these loans and the conditions on which they are granted shall be governed by the contracts to be concluded between the borrower and the Kreditanstalt für Wiederaufbau; the said contracts shall be subject to the legal provisions applicable in the Federal Republic of Germany.

(2) The Government of the Islamic Republic of Mauritania shall, if it is not itself the borrower, guarantee to the Kreditanstalt für Wiederaufbau all payments in Deutsche Mark in fulfilment of the obligations of the borrower under the loan contracts to be concluded in accordance with paragraph 1.

Article 3. The Government of the Islamic Republic of Mauritania shall exempt the Kreditanstalt für Wiederaufbau from all taxes and other public charges levied in Mauritania at the time of the conclusion or execution of the contracts referred to in article 2.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Came into force on 29 November 1975 by signature, in accordance with article 8.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> United Nations, Treaty Series, vol. 1009, p. 95.

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Article 4. The Government of the Islamic Republic of Mauritania shall allow passengers and suppliers a free choice of transport enterprises for such transportation of passengers and goods by sea, by land and by air as results from the granting of the loans; it shall refrain from taking any measures that might exclude or impede the participation of transport enterprises which have their headquarters within the German area of application of this Agreement and shall issue any permits that may be necessary for the participation of such transport enterprises.

Article 5. Contracts for deliveries and performances relating to projects financed by the loans shall be awarded by international public tender, unless otherwise stipulated in individual cases.

Article 6. The Government of the Federal Republic of Germany is particularly desirous that, for deliveries resulting from the granting of the loans, preference should be given to the products of the industry of Land Berlin.

Article 7. With the exception of those provisions of article 4 which relate to air traffic, this Agreement shall also apply to *Land Berlin*, provided that the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany has not made a contrary declaration to the Government of the Islamic Republic of Mauritania within three months from the entry into force of this Agreement.

Article 8. This Agreement shall enter into force on the date of its signature.

DONE at Nouakchott on 29 November 1975, in duplicate in the German and French languages, both texts being equally authentic.

For the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany:

HANS JÜRGEN WISCHNEWSKI

For the Government of the Islamic Republic of Mauritania:

HASNI OULD DIDI