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UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND and CUBA

Agreement on the development of economic and industrial co-operation (with annex). Signed at London on 19 May 1975

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ROYAUME-UNI DE GRANDE-BRETAGNE ET D'IRLANDE DU NORD

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Accord relatif au développement de la coopération économique et industrielle (avec annexe). Signé à Londres le 19 mai 1975

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Enregistré par le Royaume-Uni de Grande-Bretagne et d'Irlande du Nord le 27 juillet 1976.

AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND AND THE REVOLUTIONARY GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF CUBA ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF ECONOMIC AND INDUSTRIAL CO-OPERATION

The Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Revolutionary Government of the Republic of Cuba;

Conscious of their interest in promoting their mutual relations;

Desiring to develop and strengthen economic and industrial co-operation between the two countries on the basis of a reciprocity assuring an equivalence of advantages and obligations;

Recognising the advantages of long-term arrangements for stable cooperation;

Have agreed as follows:

- Article I. (1) The Contracting Parties shall work for the development of co-operation in the economic and industrial fields with the aim of strengthening the economic relations of the two countries. For this purpose the Contracting Parties shall provide all reasonable facilities in order to encourage economic and industrial co-operation.
- (2) The facilities to be provided by the Contracting Parties under the terms of this Agreement shall be subject to the laws and regulations in force in their respective countries, to their international obligations, and within the limits of their competence.
- Article II. The Contracting Parties, taking into account the economic development of both countries, and the endeavours of the Republic of Cuba to speed its economic development, consider that there are possibilities for economic and industrial co-operation in those sectors of their respective economies which present a common interest, as listed in Annex A to this Agreement. Further sectors may be agreed upon from time to time by the Joint Commission referred to in Article V of this Agreement.
- Article III. (1) The Contracting Parties confirm their interest in cooperation between the enterprises, firms and organisations of their countries.
- (2) The Contracting Parties shall encourage and support the enterprises, firms and organisations of their respective countries in mutually beneficial projects of economic and industrial co-operation.
- (3) The Contracting Parties, subject to the laws and regulations in force in their respective countries:
- (a) shall encourage such initiatives, contacts and interchange of information which tend to promote the carrying out of projects, programmes and agreements between the enterprises, firms and organisations of the two countries;

¹ Came into force provisionally on 19 May 1975 by signature and definitively on 6 August 1975, the date when the Parties notified each other of the completion of the required formalities, in accordance with article VII (1).

- (b) shall encourage co-operation between the enterprises, firms and organisations of the two countries in such fields as feasibility studies, market studies, preparation and implementation of specific projects as well as in any other field to be agreed between them.
- Article IV. The conditions governing particular projects of economic and industrial co-operation shall be agreed between the respective enterprises, firms and organisations of the two countries, taking account of any recommendations of the Joint Commission which are relevant thereto.
- Article V. For the purpose of achieving fruitful and advantageous cooperation there shall be established a Joint Commission for Economic and Industrial Co-operation which shall be composed of representatives of the Contracting Parties and which shall:
- (a) supervise the implementation of this Agreement, consider concrete proposals for economic and industrial co-operation and examine new fields for such co-operation;
- (b) carry out periodic review of the progress of the economic and industrial co-operation between the two countries meeting annually, alternately in the United Kingdom and Cuba or otherwise at the request of either Contracting Party at a place to be agreed on each such occasion.
- Article VI. This Agreement does not affect the validity of any other Agreement concluded and in force between the two countries.
- Article VII. (1) The Agreement shall enter into force provisionally from the date of signature and definitively on the date when each Contracting Party has notified the other of the completion of any formalities required.
- (2) The Agreement shall remain in force for a period of 5 years. It shall be considered automatically renewed unless either Contracting Party has given written notice of termination not less than six months before the expiry of that period. Thereafter, it shall remain in force until the expiry of six months from the date on which either Contracting Party shall have given written notice of termination to the other. The termination of the present Agreement shall not affect the validity of agreements and contracts already concluded and of undertakings already agreed in accordance with its terms.

Article VIII. In relation to the Government of the United Kingdom, the territory to which this Agreement shall apply shall be Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

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

DONE in duplicate at London this 19th day of May 1975 in the English and Spanish languages, both texts being equally authoritative.

For the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland:

For the Revolutionary Government of the Republic of Cuba:

JAMES CALLAGHAN ERIC DEAKINS

CARLOS RAFAEL RODRÍGUEZ

ANNEX A

Sugar and sugar by-products industries
Textiles industry
Chemical industry including petro-chemicals, fertilizers and tyres

Ports and harbour development

Transport-land and maritime-including boat building industry

Airport and communication development

Agricultural and irrigation equipment

Food industry, including refrigeration

Construction and building materials industry

Equipment and supplies for public health sector

Metallurgical industry

Plastics processing industry.