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[Translation — Traduction]

AGREEMENT¹ ON TECHNOLOGICAL, INDUSTRIAL AND AGRICUL-TURAL CO-OPERATION BETWEEN THE BELGO-LUXEMBOURG ECONOMIC UNION AND THE REPUBLIC OF ECUADOR

The Government of the Kingdom of Belgium, acting, by virtue of existing agreements, both on its own behalf and on behalf of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg, and the Government of the Republic of Ecuador.

Desiring to develop their mutual economic relations, have agreed as follows:

- Article 1. The Contracting Parties undertake to foster mutual co-operation in the technological, industrial and agricultural sectors.
- Article 2. In order to achieve the objectives laid down in article 1, the Contracting Parties shall promote:
- (a) The conclusion, officially or privately, of specific agreements concerning the technical and financial execution of specific projects in the sectors mentioned in article 1;
- (b) Research for the purpose of developing natural resources;
- (c) Co-operation in the preparation and execution of agricultural, industrial and infrastructural projects;
- (d) The organization of training courses in industrial and commercial enterprises;
- (e) The exchange of experts and consultants;
- (f) The exchange of know-how, specialized techniques and relevant documentation.
- Article 3. With a view to facilitating the execution of projects resulting from the co-operation provided for in this Agreement, the Contracting Parties shall grant, with all due speed, the necessary administrative permits and facilities.
- Article 4. The Contracting Parties shall accord the most favourable treatment, in accordance with their respective laws, to the technicians and experts requested by the competent authorities for the study and execution of projects resulting from this Agreement.
- Article 5. A Joint Commission, responsible for implementing this Agreement, shall meet at the request of either Contracting Party; it shall hold its meetings alternately at Brussels and at Quito.

When the Joint Commission is not in session, the Contracting Parties shall maintain contact through the diplomatic channel.

Article 6. This Agreement shall enter into force on the date on which the Contracting Parties have notified each other in writing that the formalities required under their domestic legislation have been complied with.

¹ Came into force on 17 December 1975, the date by which the Contracting Parties had notified each other in writing (notifications effected on 17 September and 17 December 1975) of the completion of the required formalities, in accordance with article 6.

This Agreement shall remain in force for a period of one year. It shall be extended from year to year by tacit agreement, and may be denounced at any time by either Contracting Party upon six months' notice.

Denunciation shall not, however, affect obligations assumed under the Agreement by the Contracting Parties prior to denunciation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the undersigned, duly authorized for this purpose, have signed this Agreement.

DONE at Quito, on 28 July 1975, in duplicate in the French, Dutch and Spanish languages, all three texts being equally authentic.

For the Belgo-Luxembourg
Economic Union:
[Signed]
EMILE LEEMANS
Ambassador of Belgium

For the Government of the Republic of Ecuador:

[Signed]

Antonio José Lucio Paredes Minister for External Relations