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**UNITED NATIONS
(UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME)
and
INTERNATIONAL FUND
FOR AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT**

**Memorandum of understanding recording arrangements for
collaboration. Signed at London on 6 April 1978**

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**ORGANISATION DES NATIONS UNIES
(PROGRAMME DES NATIONS UNIES
POUR LE DÉVELOPPEMENT)
et
FONDS INTERNATIONAL
DE DÉVELOPPEMENT AGRICOLE**

**Mémorandum d'accord précisant les modalités de leur col-
laboration. Signé à Londres le 6 avril 1978**

Texte authentique : anglais.

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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING¹ BETWEEN THE INTERNATIONAL FUND FOR AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT AND THE UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

The United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and the International Fund for Agricultural Development (the Fund);

Having consulted between themselves as to the establishment of a working relationship other than an executing agency relationship under which they might collaborate towards the achievement of their individual and common goals and objectives;

Desiring to record the basic arrangements they have agreed upon in this connexion;

Have adopted this Memorandum of Understanding in a spirit of friendly co-operation and declare their intention to be guided by it to the greatest extent possible.

Article I. AREAS OF CO-OPERATION

1.1. Each Party hereto recognizes the competence of the other as set forth in its constituent or equivalent instruments. The UNDP recognizes that the Fund has special responsibility for investment financing for agricultural development projects primarily for food production in its developing member countries. The Fund in turn recognizes the UNDP as the major source of preinvestment financing and technical co-operation within the UN system, with the responsibility accorded to it within that system for providing assistance and advice on follow-up investment. The Parties hereby agree to co-operate and to maintain a close and continuing working relationship in order to further their individual and common objectives, especially to increase food production, alleviate poverty and improve nutrition in developing countries. They further agree to take such action as may be necessary to achieve effective co-ordination of their activities, including their technical co-operation activities, and shall avoid undesirable duplication of activities and services.

1.2. The Parties shall co-operate in the provision of technical co-operation for agricultural development in developing states which are common members of both organizations.

1.3. When discussing with Governments technical co-operation activities, the Fund will pay due regard to UNDP's role in the financing of such activities.

1.4. UNDP will continue to finance in the normal course pre-investment and investment support projects in food production, agricultural training, strengthening agricultural institutions, improved nutrition and poverty-oriented rural development programmes and projects which may lead to or support investment by the Fund, and shall notify the Fund of any projects which UNDP finds *prima facie* suitable for financing by the Fund for its consideration.

1.5. The Fund recognizes that the UNDP Resident Representative has, in the country concerned, the central co-ordinating role for all technical co-operation programmes of the United Nations system and further recognizes the desirability of consulting him in appropriate cases on the planning and formulation of its technical co-operation activities. The Fund agrees to provide him on request with relevant information on its activities in the country.

¹ Came into force on 6 April 1978 by signature, in accordance with section 4.1.

1.6. Without prejudice to the principles enunciated in the preceding paragraph, UNDP agrees to place at the disposal of the Fund the services of its Resident Representatives and field offices to assist the Fund as and when it requires assistance in contacts and communications with Governments on loans and grants, or in regard to other types of services and facilities (e.g., common premises and common services) which the Fund may require in the field. The conditions under which UNDP Resident Representatives and field offices shall perform such services for the Fund will be agreed by the Parties from time to time.

1.7. Whenever specifically requested by the Fund, the Resident Representatives will bring to the attention of the Fund's developing Member States the potential of the Fund as a source of financing for projects on food production, rural development and nutrition.

1.8. Whenever appropriate, the Parties will promote joint action in co-operation with other agencies concerned to assist their common members in the preparation or execution of projects related to food production, nutrition and the alleviation of rural poverty.

Article II. RECIPROCAL REPRESENTATION, EXCHANGE
OF INFORMATION AND STAFF

2.1. Subject to the relevant instruments of the organ(s) concerned, UNDP shall be invited to be represented at the Governing Council of the Fund, and the Fund shall be invited to be represented at the meetings of the Governing Council of UNDP.

2.2. The Parties will furnish each other from time to time with all relevant information concerning their activities, including their national, regional and interregional activities, and will hold periodic consultations on matters of common interest.

2.3. The Parties will consult together concerning the possibility, desirability, and appropriate administrative arrangements for the exchange of staff of one organization with the other, taking into account their respective personnel policies and practices.

Article III. FINANCIAL PROVISION

3.1. If necessary, the Parties will consult each other and agree on an arrangement for reimbursement of any additional expenditures incurred for carrying out any co-operation activity under this Memorandum.

Article IV. GENERAL PROVISIONS

4.1. Subject to the relevant requirements of each Party, this Memorandum of Understanding will come into force upon signature.

4.2. The Parties may review this Memorandum from time to time and may amend it or adopt such supplementary arrangements as will be within the scope of this Memorandum and they may find appropriate. An amendment shall enter into force after each Party has satisfied its necessary legal requirements.

IN FAITH WHEREOF the Parties have signed this Memorandum of Understanding in the English language in two copies at London this 6th day of April 1978.

For the United Nations
Development Programme:

[Signed]

BRADFORD MORSE
Administrator

For the International Fund
for Agricultural Development:

[Signed]

ABDELMUHSIN M. AL-SUDEARY
President
