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AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE KING-DOM OF THE NETHERLANDS AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF TURKEY ON SUPPORT FOR EMPLOY-MENT-GENERATING PROJECTS

The Government of the Kingdom of the Netherlands and the Government of the Republic of Turkey,

Considering the friendly relations existing between the two countries,

Desirous of strengthening these relations,

Recognizing that it is desirable to pursue co-operation aimed at improving the employment situation in Turkey,

Have agreed as follows:

- Article I. 1. The prupose of this Agreement is to promote implementation of employment-generating projects, hereinafter referred to as "Projects" to be financed in whole or in part from investments of the savings of Turkish workers abroad.
- 2. The above-mentioned projects concern workers' enterprises, rural development co-operatives and artisanal co-operatives, and shall be in conformity with the aims and principles of the Turkish Government's plan and with the principles of the Netherlands policy of co-operation for development, with particular reference to its social aspects.
- Article II. 1. The Netherlands Government shall inform the Turkish Government annually of its financial contribution in this connection.
- 2. A fund shall be established to provide financial assistance to projects on the basis of the Netherlands contribution.
- Article III. Subject to the Turkish legislation in force, the Netherlands Government shall provide appropriate facilities to the experts assigned by mutual agreement between the two competent authorities to a particular project, as also for the equipment necessary for their professional activity in Turkey.
- Article IV. 1. The authorities competent for implementing this Agreement shall be the Netherlands Minister for Co-operation for Development and the Turkish Minister of Industry and Technology.
- 2. Each of the competent authorities shall appoint an executive authority to be responsible for implementing the projects.

The competent authorities shall inform each other of such appointments.

Article V. 1. The Contracting Parties shall establish a Mixed Commission, composed of a maximum of three representatives of each Party.

¹ Came into force on 17 October 1978, the date on which the two Governments informed each other, in writing, of the completion of the formalities required by their respective national legislations, in accordance with article IX (2).

The members of the Mixed Commission may be assisted by experts.

2. The function of the Mixed Commission shall be to advise the two Governments on projects which may benefit from financial assistance.

No project shall be implemented without the agreement of the Turkish Government.

- 3. The Mixed Commission shall itself determine the periodicity and place of its meetings and its rules of procedure.
- Article VI. 1. The Turkish Government shall establish a Management Committee in which the Turkish ministries and other institutions involved in implementing the projects shall be represented.

A representative of the Embassy of the Kingdom of the Netherlands in Ankara may participate in the meetings of this committee in the capacity of a consultative member.

- 2. In order to assist the Mixed Commission in the exercise of its functions, the Management Committee shall establish priorities for the evaluation and selection of projects involving workers' enterprises which:
- a) Have been established in conformity with existing development projects;
- b) Have initiated the investment process and have subsequently had to face financial difficulties;
- c) Generate employment.
- 3. The above-mentioned Management Committee shall use the funds through a Turkish investment bank; the procedures governing the use of such funds for projects shall be determined jointly by the Management Committee and the said Turkish bank.

The bank shall act as the depositary and managing institution.

The Mangement Committee shall establish and operate a monitoring system in order to ensure that the funds intended for projects are actually used for that purpose.

Article VII. The Contracting Parties undertake to facilitate in general the activities to be carried out under this Agreement.

Article VIII. Differences of interpretation and disputes which may arise from the implementation of this Agreement, and which cannot be settled by the competent authorities or the executive authorities, shall be settled by the Contracting Parties through the normal diplomatic channel.

- Article IX. 1. This Agreement shall remain in force for a period of one year. It shall be automatically renewed for successive one-year periods, unless one of the Governments concerned informs the other, at least six months before the expiry of the period in question, of its intention to denounce the Agreement.
- 2. This Agreement shall enter into force on the date on which the two Governments inform each other, in writing, that the formalities required by their respective national legislations have been completed.
- 3. With respect to the Netherlands Government, this Agreement shall apply only to the territory of the Kingdom of the Netherlands situated in Europe.

DONE at Ankara, on 18 November 1976, in two copies, in the French language.

For the Government of the Kingdom of the Netherlands:

For the Government of the Republic of Turkey:

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