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FINLAND and HUNGARY

Agreement on co-operation in the field of health care, medicine and social security. Signed at Budapest on 27 June 1978

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Accord relatif à la coopération en matière de soins de santé, de médecine et de sécurité sociale. Signé à Budapest le 27 juin 1978

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AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF FINLAND AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE HUNGARIAN PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC ON CO-OPERATION IN THE FIELD OF HEALTH CARE, MEDICINE AND SOCIAL SECURITY

The Government of the Republic of Finland and the Government of the Hungarian People's Republic,

Inspired by the desire to develop co-operation between their countries also in the field of health care, medicine and social security,

In the conviction that this co-operation will contribute to the strengthening of friendly relations between the two countries,

Have decided to conclude an agreement on co-operation in the field of health care, medicine and social security, and

Have for this purpose appointed as their plenipotentiaries

The Government of the Republic of Finland: Pirkko Työläjärvi, Minister of Social Affairs and Health,

The Government of the Hungarian People's Republic: Emil Schultheisz, Minister of Health,

who, after exchanging their credentials found to be in good and proper form, have agreed as follows:

Article 1. The Contracting Parties shall encourage and develop cooperation in the field of health care, medicine and social security.

They will base this co-operation inter alia on the experiences acquired by both Parties in the course of their earlier mutual exchanges, visits and contacts.

- Article 2. The co-operation may, in particular, take the following forms:
- 1) Exchange of information on the organization of health and social services;
- Exchange of information on the education and training concerning health care, medicine and social security in their countries;
- 3) Research projects in the co-operation programmes;
- 4) Exchange of technical and scientific information on health care, medicine including medical research, and social security;
- 5) Organization of mutual scientific symposia, seminars and lectures;
- 6) Exchange of specialists and delegations for the purpose of study and consultation;
- 7) Participation of experts in congresses and scientific conferences organized by the other Party:
- 8) Exchange of information on new equipments and technological developments related to health care, medicine and social security.

¹ Came into force on 7 December 1978 by the exchange of the diplomatic notes (effected on 21 November and 7 December 1978) confirming its approval, in accordance with article 6.

- Article 3. The Contracting Parties shall use their best endeavours to facilitate contacts between institutions and organizations in the field of health care, medicine and social security in their respective countries.
- Article 4. For the implementation of this Agreement, the Ministry of Social Affairs and Health of the Republic of Finland and the Ministry of Health and the competent organs of social security of the Hungarian People's Republic may contact each other directly in the field of health care, medicine and social security in matters under their jurisdiction.
- Article 5. For the implementation of this Agreement, the Ministry of Social Affairs and Health of the Republic of Finland and the Ministry of Health and the competent organs of social security of the Hungarian People's Republic will sign, subject to the legal provisions of their respective countries, programmes of co-operation covering generally periods of two years. These programmes shall define the areas, forms and financial conditions of the co-operation.

The representatives of the above-mentioned ministries and organs of social security shall meet in Finland and in Hungary alternately.

- Article 6. The Agreement shall be approved in accordance with the constitutional requirements of the Contracting Parties. The Agreement will enter into force on the day of the exchange of the diplomatic notes on the approval.
- Article 7. This Agreement shall remain in force for a period of five years. Should neither of the Contracting Parties denounce the Agreement six months before the expiration, it will remain valid for [a] further five years.

DONE in Budapest, on the 27th of June 1978, in two original copies in English.

On behalf of the Government of the Republic of Finland:
PIRKKO TYÖLÄJÄRVI

On behalf of the Government of the Hungarian People's Republic:
EMIL SCHULTHEISZ