

**No. 18128**

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**SWITZERLAND  
and  
BANGLADESH**

**Exchange of letters constituting an agreement concerning an additional grant for the construction of the urea fertilizer plant at Ashuganj. Dacca, 19 December 1978**

*Authentic text: English.*

*Registered by Switzerland on 30 November 1979.*

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**SUISSE  
et  
BANGLADESH**

**Échange de lettres constituant un accord concernant un don supplémentaire pour la construction d'une fabrique d'engrais à Ashuganj. Dacca, 19 décembre 1978**

*Texte authentique : anglais.*

*Enregistré par la Suisse le 30 novembre 1979.*

EXCHANGE OF LETTERS CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT<sup>1</sup> BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE SWISS CONFEDERATION AND THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF BANGLADESH CONCERNING AN ADDITIONAL GRANT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE UREA FERTILIZER PLANT AT ASHUGANJ

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I

Dacca, December 19, 1978

Dear Mr. Muhith,

I have the honour to refer to the discussions which have taken place between representatives of our two Governments concerning a grant of 5 million US dollars by the Swiss Confederation to the People's Republic of Bangladesh.

I also have the honour to confirm the following understanding reached as a result of these discussions:

1. The Swiss Confederation shall donate to the People's Republic of Bangladesh a grant of Swiss francs 8,667,500.--, equivalent of 5 million US dollars at the rate of November 22, 1978, for meeting supplementary costs incidental to the construction of the urea fertilizer plant at Ashuganj.

2. This grant is subject to the same dispositions as set out in the Agreement of March 18, 1975,<sup>2</sup> and its protocol of application between the Government of the Swiss Confederation and the People's Republic of Bangladesh, amended by an Exchange of letters between our two Governments, signed May 8, 1978.<sup>3</sup>

3. The amount of Swiss francs 8,667,500.-- shall be deposited on the account "Ashuganj Fertilizer and Chemical Company Limited (AFCCL) Dacca" at the Swiss National Bank in Zurich within three months after the entering into force of the present Exchange of letters.

I would be very grateful if you could confirm that the foregoing dispositions are acceptable to the Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh and that the present Letter and your reply thereto constitute an agreement between our two Governments on this subject, the agreement to enter into force on the date of your letter in reply.

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<sup>1</sup> Came into force on 19 December 1978, the date of the letter in reply, in accordance with the provisions of the said letters.

<sup>2</sup> United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 1127, No. 1-17552.

<sup>3</sup> See p. 429 of this volume.

Accept, Dear Mr. Muhith, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

The Chargé d'affaires a.i.  
of Switzerland,

[Signed]

I. ETIENNE

Mr. A. M. A. Muhith  
Secretary  
External Resources Division  
Ministry of Finance  
Government of the People's Republic  
of Bangladesh  
Sheb-e-Bangla Nagar  
Dacca

## II

MINISTRY OF FINANCE  
EXTERNAL RESOURCES DIVISION  
GOVERNMENT OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF BANGLADESH

From: A. M. A. Muhith, Secretary

Dacca, December 19, 1978

D.O.No. ERD(II) Switzerland-(1)/75/191

Dear Mr. Etienne,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of today's date which reads as follows:

[See letter I]

I have the honour to confirm that the foregoing is acceptable to the Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh.

Please Accept, Mr. Etienne, the assurances of my highest consideration.

[Signed]

A. M. A. MUHITH

Mr. Ivan Etienne  
Chargé d'affaires a.i.  
Embassy of Switzerland  
Dacca