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**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
and
MALAYSIA**

Memorandum of Understanding concerning co-operation in combating illicit international traffic in narcotics and other dangerous drugs. Signed at Washington on 19 September 1979

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**ÉTATS-UNIS D'AMÉRIQUE
et
MALAISIE**

Mémorandum d'accord relatif à une coopération afin de combattre le trafic international illicite des stupéfiants et autres drogues dangereuses. Signé à Washington le 19 septembre 1979

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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING¹

The Government of the United States of America and the Government of Malaysia, being Parties to the Single Convention of Narcotic Drugs, done at New York March 30, 1961,² and other international agreements on the control of illicit narcotics and dangerous drugs whether vegetal or chemical derivative,

Recognizing that drug addiction and drug abuse present a threat to their respective societies and to the peoples of other nations,

Accepting the cessation of illicit opium production and the ending of the illicit cultivation of the poppy as international goals,

Reaffirm their desire and intention to cooperate with each other in actions to be taken against the supply of illicit narcotics and dangerous drugs for the purpose of abuse, and against international traffic which serves as a channel connecting production with use, and to discourage the demand for such narcotics and drugs for such purposes, and agree as follows:

(1) Disruption and elimination of narcotics trafficking across their borders, and processing and storage within the two countries through stringent law enforcement efforts and other means, is the most promising way to achieve significant early reduction of narcotics supplies. The principal problem facing Malaysia is recognized by the two Governments to be the illegal transit into and through its territory of certain types of dangerous drugs and narcotics. The Malaysian Government agrees to make additional police and other officials and other resources and facilities available for its programs to interdict the narcotics traffic. The United States Government will endeavor to cooperate with the Government of Malaysia in fields such as training, equipment, advisory assistance and other mutually agreed support to make programs of the Malaysian Government more effective.

(2) Medical and social rehabilitation of narcotics and drug users and addicts must be a key component of an integrated attack on the narcotic problem. In this connection the two Governments agree that efforts will be made to increase and improve the effectiveness and availability of rehabilitation services. The United States Government will endeavor to make available, in support of Malaysian efforts, medical and related social counseling technical assistance, as needed and available, to implement projects designed to alleviate the dependence on narcotics and drugs of users and addicts and to assist their re-entry into society.

(3) A comprehensive education and public information program is an important aspect of narcotics and drug control and this can be achieved through efforts designed to publicize widely the medical and social and economic dangers of narcotics and drugs and to ensure the public awareness and understanding of the programs that will be necessary to their full acceptance. The two Governments agree to cooperate with each other and to employ existing resources, to the maximum extent feasible, in this effort.

(4) Competent professional research is the basis for all progress in the enforcement, treatment, rehabilitation, and prevention fields of drug abuse cooperation. The United States Government will endeavor to support scientific evaluation of

¹ Came into force on 19 September 1979 by signature, in accordance with paragraph 8.

² United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 520, p. 151.

methodology and the success of efforts chosen to ameliorate addiction and drug abuse.

(5) Any effective effort to attack drug abuse in a society must include broad participation by the individual members of that society. The United States Government will cooperate to support the efforts of the Government of Malaysia to help achieve the broadest possible participation by the citizens of Malaysia in the struggle against drug abuse.

(6) It is important to the combatting of international narcotics and drug production and trafficking that the coordinated cooperation of many countries be obtained. Thus, the two Governments agree to the desirability of encouraging and cooperating with United Nations and other multilateral programs to combat drug abuse and control traffic in narcotics.

(7) In order to carry out the purposes of this Memorandum of Understanding, the two Governments will promptly proceed with the preparation and implementation of specific projects within the field of narcotics and drug control.

(8) This Memorandum of Understanding will enter into force upon signature, and will continue in force indefinitely unless terminated by either Party upon 90 days' written notice to the other Party. This Memorandum of Understanding may be modified by mutual agreement of the Parties.

DONE at Washington in duplicate this 19th day of September 1979.

For the Government
of the United States of America:

[Signed — Signé]¹

For the Malaysian Government:

[Signed — Signé]²

¹ Signed by Mathea Falco — Signé par Mathea Falco.

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