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**UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS
and
ETHIOPIA**

**Agreement on the legal status of the Trade Representation
of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics in Socialist
Ethiopia. Signed at Moscow on 22 July 1977**

Authentic texts: Russian and English.

Registered by the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics on 18 July 1980.

**UNION DES RÉPUBLIQUES SOCIALISTES
SOVIÉTIQUES
et
ÉTHIOPIE**

**Accord relatif au statut légal de la Représentation
commerciale de l'Union des Républiques socialistes
soviétiques en Éthiopie socialiste. Signé à Moscou le 22
juillet 1977**

Textes authentiques : russe et anglais.

*Enregistré par l'Union des Républiques socialistes soviétiques le 18 juillet
1980.*

AGREEMENT¹ ON THE LEGAL STATUS OF THE TRADE REPRESENTATION OF THE UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS IN SOCIALIST ETHIOPIA

The Government of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and the Provisional Military Government of Socialist Ethiopia have agreed as follows:

Article 1. The Union of Soviet Socialist Republics shall have its Trade Representation in Socialist Ethiopia.

Article 2. The Trade Representation of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics in Socialist Ethiopia shall perform the following functions:

- (a) To promote the development of trade relations between the USSR and Socialist Ethiopia;
- (b) To represent interests of the USSR in Socialist Ethiopia in all matters relating to foreign trade of the USSR;
- (c) To assist foreign trade organisations of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics in purchases, sales and other commercial transactions.

Article 3. The Trade Representation shall be an integral part of the Embassy of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics in Socialist Ethiopia and shall have its seat in Addis Ababa.

The Trade Representative and his two deputies shall enjoy all privileges and immunities accorded to the members of diplomatic missions.

The administrative, technical and service staff of the Trade Representation shall enjoy all privileges and immunities accorded to the members of the corresponding staff category of diplomatic missions.

Premises of the Trade Representation shall enjoy privileges and immunities accorded to the premises of diplomatic missions.

The Trade Representation shall have the right to use cipher.

Article 4. The establishment of the Trade Representation of the USSR in Socialist Ethiopia in no way affects the rights of organisations and firms of Socialist Ethiopia to maintain direct relations with Soviet foreign trade organisations for the purpose of concluding and executing commercial transactions.

Article 5. The Provisional Military Government of Socialist Ethiopia may establish, when [it] finds it necessary, its Trade Representation in the USSR whose functions, legal status and privileges will be similar to those set for the Trade Representation of the USSR in Socialist Ethiopia.

Article 6. This Agreement shall come into force from the day of its signature.

¹ Came into force on 22 July 1977 by signature, in accordance with article 6.

DONE at Moscow on July 22, 1977, in two original copies, each in the Russian and English languages, both texts being equally authentic.

For the Government
of the Union of Soviet
Socialist Republics:

[Signed — Signé]¹

For the Provisional Military
Government of Socialist Ethiopia:

[Signed — Signé]²

¹ Signed by A. Manzhulo — Signé par A. Manjoulo.

² Signed by Ashagre Yigletu — Signé par Ashagre Yigletu.