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and
DEMOCRATIC KAMPUCHEA**

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TREATY¹ OF FRIENDSHIP AND CO-OPERATION BETWEEN THE GERMAN DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC AND THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF KAMPUCHEA

The German Democratic Republic and the People's Republic of Kampuchea, Proceeding from the close friendship, solidarity, all-round co-operation and mutual assistance, based on Marxism-Leninism and proletarian internationalism, that exist between the German Democratic Republic and the People's Republic of Kampuchea;

Firmly convinced that all-round consolidation of their friendship and co-operation is in the fundamental interest of the people of both States;

Desiring to develop and promote still further all-round co-operation between the two States and thereby to devote close attention to political, ideological and economic co-operation;

Reaffirming that the consolidation, development and protection of the revolutionary achievements resulting from the dedication of both people constitute an internationalist duty incumbent on both States;

Encouraged by the efforts made to ensure the best international conditions for building socialism, and resolved to put into practice their anti-imperialist solidarity with all people struggling for their national and social liberation;

Standing up, therefore, for the unity and co-ordination of all forces struggling for peace, national independence, democracy and social progress against imperialism, hegemonism, colonialism, neo-colonialism and racism in all its forms;

Resolved to promote further consolidation of peace and security in Europe, Asia and throughout the world, and to contribute to the development and extension of relations between States with different social systems on the basis of the principles of peaceful co-existence in accordance with the aims and principles of the Charter of the United Nations;

Attaching great importance to further developing and improving the contractual bases of their mutual relations,

Have agreed as follows:

Article 1. The High Contracting Parties, motivated by the principles of proletarian internationalism, shall continue to develop the close relations of friendship, solidarity and mutual assistance between the people of the German Democratic Republic and the People's Republic of Kampuchea, thereby consolidating and enhancing all-round co-operation on the basis of fully equal rights, mutual respect for independence, sovereignty, territorial integrity and non-intervention in internal affairs.

Article 2. The High Contracting Parties shall consolidate and extend their economic, scientific and technical co-operation on the basis of the most-favoured-nation principle and of mutual advantage for the benefit of both, and shall thus make

¹ Came into force on 25 October 1980 by the exchange of the instruments of ratification, which took place at Phnom Penh, in accordance with article 10.

a contribution towards strengthening socialism. In so doing, they shall attach increasing importance to bilateral and multilateral co-operation among the fraternal socialist States.

The two Parties shall co-operate closely in the fields of culture, sciences, education including vocational training, public health, literature, the arts, the press, radio broadcasting, the cinema, physical culture and sports.

They shall encourage the development of co-operation between the political institutions and mass organizations and shall use them as an important medium for familiarizing the people of each country with the life, experiences and achievements in building socialism of the other country.

Article 3. The High Contracting Parties shall constantly strive, on the basis of Marxism-Leninism and proletarian internationalism, to promote the further consolidation of fraternal relations and co-ordination among the socialist States.

The two Parties shall do their utmost to strengthen the socialist world system. They shall actively contribute towards developing and protecting the achievements of socialism and steadfastly support the struggles of people for peace, national independence, democracy and socialism.

Article 4. The High Contracting Parties shall do their utmost, in the interest of the peace and security of people, to contribute actively towards foiling all the machinations and plots of the imperialists and reactionary forces.

They shall actively support the just struggle for eliminating, once and for all, colonialism, neo-colonialism and racism in all its forms.

The two Parties shall encourage close co-operation and solidarity with all the people of Asia, Africa and Latin America liberated from imperialist and colonial domination in their struggle against imperialism and for the consolidation of independence and social progress.

Article 5. The High Contracting Parties shall continue to contribute actively to the struggle for peace and international security. They shall make every effort to strengthen international détente, to bring about general and complete disarmament, including nuclear disarmament, and to eliminate all forms of hegemonism in international relations. The two Parties shall work for the peaceful settlement of all international disputes without infringing the right of States, set forth in the Charter of the United Nations, to individual and collective self-defence against aggressions.

Article 6. The High Contracting Parties shall support the development and improvement of relations between States with different social systems on the basis of respect for independence, sovereignty, the territorial integrity and inviolability of frontiers of States, non-intervention in internal affairs, equal rights, mutual benefit and the principles of peaceful co-existence.

Article 7. The High Contracting Parties consider the inviolability of the State frontiers resulting from the Second World War in Europe, including the State frontier between the German Democratic Republic and the Federal Republic of Germany, to be an important prerequisite for guaranteeing peace and security in Europe. They shall support the efforts designed to consolidate peace and security in that region.

The two Parties shall support the aspirations of the people of South East Asia for peace, security, national independence and self-determination and for co-

operation among the countries of that region on the basis of equal rights and mutual benefit.

Article 8. The High Contracting Parties shall maintain and develop their relations with West Berlin in accordance with the Quadripartite Agreement of 3 September 1971,¹ bearing in mind the fact that West Berlin is not a constituent part of the Federal Republic of Germany and is not governed by it.

Article 9. The High Contracting Parties shall inform and consult each other on problems concerning relations between the two States and on international questions of interest to both countries.

Article 10. This Treaty is subject to ratification and shall enter into force on the day of the exchange of the instruments of ratification which shall shortly take place at Phnom Penh.

Article 11. This Treaty is concluded for a period of 25 years and shall be automatically renewed every 10 years, unless either of the High Contracting Parties notifies the other Party in writing, 12 months prior to the expiration of the period of validity, of its wish to denounce it.

DONE at Berlin, on 18 March 1980, in two original copies, in German and Khmer, the two texts being equally authentic.

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¹ United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 880, p. 115.