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AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF AUSTRALIA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF JAPAN ON CO-OPERATION IN RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT IN SCIENCE AND TECH- NOLOGY

The Government of Australia and the Government of Japan,

Recalling that article III of the Basic Treaty of friendship and co-operation between Australia and Japan, signed at Tokyo on June 16, 1976,² stipulates that the two countries shall endeavour to facilitate, strengthen and diversify mutual understanding and co-operation in various areas of mutual interest including scientific and technological fields,

Considering their mutual interest in promoting scientific and technological co-operation between the two Governments characterized by a recognition of equality and by a common perception of importance of research and development,

Believing that such co-operation is of advantage in enhancing the quality of life and economic well-being of not only the peoples of their respective countries, but also the peoples of the world, and

Desiring to further strengthen such co-operation,

Have agreed as follows:

Article 1. The two Governments shall develop their co-operative activities in scientific and technological research and development in such fields as may be mutually agreed for peaceful purposes on the basis of equality and mutual benefit.

Article 2. Forms of the co-operative activities between the two Governments in research and development under this Agreement may include:

- (a) Meetings of various forms, such as those of experts, to discuss and exchange information on scientific and technological aspects of general or specific subjects and to identify research and development projects and programs which may be usefully undertaken on a co-operative basis;
- (b) Exchange of information on activities, policies, practices, and legislation and regulations concerning research and development;
- (c) Visits and exchanges of scientists, technicians or other experts on general or specific subjects;
- (d) Implementation of agreed co-operative projects and programs; and
- (e) Other forms of co-operative activities as may be mutually agreed.

Article 3. Implementing arrangements setting forth the details and procedures of the specific co-operative activities under this Agreement may be made between the two Governments or their agencies, whichever is appropriate.

Article 4. 1. The two Governments shall establish a Joint Committee, the functions of which shall be to exchange information and views on major scientific and technological policy issues relating to the implementation of this Agreement, to review the co-operative activities and accomplishments under this Agreement,

¹ Came into force on 27 November 1980 by signature, in accordance with article 8 (1).

² United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 1103, p. 105.

and to provide advice to the two Governments with regard to the implementation of this Agreement.

2. The Joint Committee shall meet alternately in Australia and Japan at mutually agreed times.

Article 5. The provisions of this Agreement shall be applied in accordance with the laws and regulations in force in each country.

Article 6. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to prejudice other arrangements for co-operation between the two Governments, existing at the date of signature of this Agreement or concluded thereafter.

Article 7. The termination of this Agreement shall not affect the carrying out of any project or program undertaken under this Agreement and not fully executed at the time of the termination of this Agreement.

Article 8. 1. This Agreement shall enter into force upon signature and remain in force for five years. However, either Government may at any time give written notice to the other Government of its intention to terminate this Agreement, in which case this Agreement shall terminate six months after such notice has been given.

2. This Agreement may be extended by mutual agreement of the two Governments.

DONE at Canberra on 27th November 1980 in duplicate in the English and Japanese languages, both being equally authentic.

For the Government
of Australia:

[Signed — Signé]¹

For the Government
of Japan:

[Signed — Signé]²

¹ Signed by A. A. Street — Signé par A. A. Street.

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