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and
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AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE SOCIALIST FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF YUGOSLAVIA ON SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL COOPERATION

The Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia,

Recognizing the importance of science and technology in the development of strong and vigorous national economies;

Convinced that international cooperation in science and technology will strengthen the bonds of friendship and understanding between their peoples and will advance the state of science and technology to the benefit of both countries, as well as of mankind generally;

Recalling the fruitful scientific and technological cooperation which has been developed over many years between the two countries; and

Noting the benefits of the cooperation which has taken place under the Agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia on Scientific and Technological Cooperation signed May 18, 1973,² and extended by Exchange of notes on June 30, 1978,³ hereinafter "the Agreement of May 18, 1973";

Have agreed as follows:

Article I. A. The two Governments will encourage, as appropriate, research organizations in their respective countries to cooperate in scientific and technological projects of mutual interest and advantage, in such fields as agriculture, health, medicine, energy, natural resources, environment, natural sciences, engineering and technology.

B. Cooperative activities may include the following: Coordinated and joint research projects, studies and investigations; courses, workshops, conferences, and symposia; exchange of scientists, specialists, and researchers; exchange of information and documentation, including the development of systems related thereto; and other forms of scientific and technological cooperation as may be mutually agreed.

Article II. A. For the purposes indicated in article I, the Governments shall continue to utilize the Joint Fund in dinars established by the Agreement of May 18, 1973, for continuing previously agreed scientific and technological projects and thereafter, to the extent monies are available to the Fund, for financing additional cooperative projects of mutual interest and advantage.

B. In addition to cooperative projects financed by the Joint Fund referred to in paragraph A above, the two Governments will endeavor to find means to finance cooperative projects of the kind described in article I, including the

¹ Came into force on 24 June 1980, the date when the Government of Yugoslavia notified the Government of the United States of America that it had fulfilled all necessary legal requirements, in accordance with article IX.

² United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 979, p. 261.

³ *Ibid.*, vol. 1152, p. 430.

conclusion of agreements under which the organizations of each country share in the support of the cooperative projects.

C. The two Governments agree that dinars from the Joint Fund shall be usable in payment of the costs of international travel by conversion to foreign exchange within Yugoslavia as required, that international air travel will be performed wherever feasible on carriers of Yugoslavia and the United States, and that nationals of each country shall perform air travel on carriers of their own country wherever feasible.

Article III. The Joint Fund established under the Agreement of May 18, 1973, continued under this Agreement, shall retain the undisbursed funds remaining from previous contributions and shall receive the contributions made by both sides in equal amounts in the following manner:

- A. The Government of the United States shall deposit in the Joint Fund the dinar equivalent of such amounts as may be appropriated by the United States Congress for each year as soon as feasible following appropriation provided that the United States contribution may be deposited in annual increments over the five-year period of the Agreement and up to a total of seven million dollars.
- B. The Yugoslav side shall deposit in the Fund an amount in dinars in annual increments as appropriated by the responsible Yugoslav bodies up to a total of seven million dollars.
- C. By mutual agreement the two Governments may make additional contributions to the Joint Fund on an equal basis.
- D. The deposits will be made in a Yugoslav bank at the annual rate of interest legally available in Yugoslavia, computed and paid in accordance with Yugoslav regulations.

Article IV. A. The two Governments agree that the funds of the Joint Fund shall continue to be managed by the Yugoslav-U.S. Joint Board on Scientific and Technological Cooperation as established by the May 18, 1973, Agreement (hereinafter designated as the "Joint Board") and continued under this Agreement.

B. Subject to the terms of the present Agreement, the Joint Board shall exercise the following functions:

1. Review periodically the progress of scientific and technological cooperation;
2. Approve new projects for joint funding in accordance with criteria agreed between the two sides;
3. Authorize the disbursement of monies, and making of grants and advances of monies from the Joint Fund;
4. Manage the deposits in the Joint Fund;
5. Seek new possibilities for developing and financing cooperative projects; and
6. Undertake such further functions as agreed between the two Governments.

Article V. A. The Joint Board shall consist of four members, two of whom shall be designated by, and serve at the pleasure of, the Government of the United States of America and the two of whom shall be designated by, and serve at the pleasure of, the Government of the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia. The two Governments may designate alternate members.

B. Members of the Joint Board shall serve without compensation but the Joint Board may authorize the payment of the necessary expenses of the members in attending meetings of the Joint Board and in performing other official duties.

C. The Joint Board shall meet annually and as required alternately in Yugoslavia and the United States of America.

D. The Joint Board shall act by unanimous vote. A chairman with voting power shall be selected by the Joint Board for a one-year term from among its members.

E. The Joint Board shall designate a treasurer, who shall receive and deposit funds in a depository designated by the Joint Board and shall make disbursements approved by the Joint Board and countersigned by a designated representative who is not of the same citizenship as the treasurer.

Article VI. Reports on the activities of the Joint Board and on the projects financed under this Agreement shall be made annually to the Secretary of State of the United States of America and the Director of the Federal Administration for International Scientific, Educational-Cultural and Technical Cooperation of the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia.

Article VII. The Department of State of the United States of America and the Federal Administration for International Scientific, Educational-Cultural and Technical Cooperation of the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia shall elicit, as appropriate, and receive proposals for joint activities from research organizations in their respective countries and shall submit such proposals for consideration to the Joint Board.

Article VIII. Organizations participating in the projects approved under this Agreement shall:

- A. Within the framework of the policy and funding determinations of the Joint Board, deal directly with each other in implementing approved projects and in developing new proposals; and
- B. Submit periodic reports on project fulfillment for annual Joint Board review to justify funding of subsequent phases of projects.

Article IX. This Agreement, which supersedes the Agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia on Scientific and Technological Cooperation signed May 18, 1973, shall take effect upon notification to the Government of the United States of America by the Government of the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia that it has fulfilled all necessary legal requirements for concluding this Agreement. This Agreement shall thereafter remain in force for five years unless terminated earlier by either party upon six months written notice to the other party. It may be modified or extended by mutual agreement of the parties in writing.

DONE at Beograd this 2nd day of April 1980, in duplicate, each in the English and Serbo-Croatian languages, both equally authentic.

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of the United States of America:

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