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[TRANSLATION — TRADUCTION]

AGREEMENT¹ ON CO-OPERATION IN THE FIELD OF RADIO AND TELEVISION BROADCASTING

The Government of the French Republic, on the one hand, and

The Government of the Republic of the Niger, on the other hand,

Desiring to define and specify the modalities of their co-operation within the framework of the Treaty on co-operation² which links the two States,

Have agreed as follows:

- Article 1. The French Republic and the Republic of the Niger agree to establish relationships of co-operation in the field of sound and visual radio broadcasting in accordance with the terms hereinafter specified.
- Article 2. The Contracting Parties undertake to use their radio broadcasting systems to promote better understanding between the two countries and to disseminate their respective culture.
- Article 3. The Government of the French Republic shall provide assistance to the Government of the Republic of the Niger in the following areas:
- —Provision of training for the personnel of its national ratio and television broadcasting system;
- —Assignment to it of such technicians as it may require for the functioning of its network. The financial arrangements applicable to French technical assistance personnel serving in the Republic of the Niger shall apply to those technicians;
- —Recommendation of experts and the conduct of studies on any technical, financial and administrative questions relating to the organization, exploitation and development of national radio and television broadcasting and of any other form of broadcasting employing related techniques.
- Article 4. The Government of the French Republic undertakes to facilitate, without obligation to make a financial contribution, the establishment of commercial relations between the Niger Office of Radio and Television Broadcasting and agencies from which it may wish to procure, on a payment basis, programmes of all kinds, records or sound recordings, spare parts and repair equipment and from which it may wish to obtain assistance in the training of its technicians.
- Article 5. Separate agreements shall, subject to the approval of the two Governments, be concluded between the Niger Office of Radio and Television Broadcasting and the appropriate French agencies in order to determine, as necessary, the arrangements for the implementation of this Agreement, including the financial arrangements.
- Article 6. Problems arising out of the implementation of this Agreement shall be considered at least once a year by the Franco-Niger Commission on Cooperation.

² See p. 87 of this volume.

¹ Came into force on 21 February 1980, i.e., 30 days after the exchange of notifications confirming the completion of the required constitutional procedures, in accordance with article 7.

Article 7. This Agreement abrogates and replaces the Franco-Niger Agreement for co-operation in the field of radio broadcasting of 25 February 1967.

It is concluded for a period of five years and shall be renewable by tacit consent.

It may be denounced at any time by either of the Contracting Parties; such denunciation shall be notified through the diplomatic channel on at least three months' notice.

This Agreement shall enter into force 30 days after the exchange of notifications affirming that the constitutional provisions in force in each of the two States have been complied with.

Either Contracting Party may at any time request the modification of one or more provisions of this Agreement and the opening of negotiations to that end.

Done at Niamey on 19 February 1977.

For the Government of the French Republic:

[Signed]

His Excellency
Mr. ROBERT GALLEY
Minister of Co-operation

For the Government of the Republic of the Niger:

[Signed]

His Excellency Captain
MOUMOUNI DJERMAKOYE AMADOU
Minister for Foreign Affairs
and Co-operation

¹ United Nations, Treaty Series, vol. 646, p. 333.