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**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
and
MOROCCO**

**Agreement to establish the U.S.-Moroccan Joint Committee
for economic relations. Signed at Washington on
25 September 1980**

Authentic text: English.

Registered by the United States of America on 15 April 1982.

**ÉTATS-UNIS D'AMÉRIQUE
et
MAROC**

**Accord portant création du Comité conjoint États-Unis-
Maroc sur les relations économiques. Signé à Wash-
ington le 25 septembre 1980**

Texte authentique : anglais.

Enregistré par les États-Unis d'Amérique le 15 avril 1982.

AGREEMENT¹ TO ESTABLISH THE U.S.-MOROCCAN JOINT COMMITTEE FOR ECONOMIC RELATIONS

The Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Kingdom of Morocco,

Guided by the common desire to strengthen further the friendly relations between their two countries,

Determined to develop the possibilities for mutually advantageous cooperation between them in the fields of trade, investment and technology transfer,

Have agreed as follows:

Article I. CREATION OF A JOINT COMMITTEE

The Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Kingdom of Morocco hereby establish a Joint Committee for Economic Relations, hereinafter referred to as the Joint Committee.

Article II. TERMS OF REFERENCE

The objective of the Joint Committee is to provide a forum for consultation at the ministerial level between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Kingdom of Morocco on matters involving trade, investment, and technology transfer. The Joint Committee will *inter alia*:

1. Study problems relating to the development of trade between the two countries;
2. Identify and examine problems affecting exchanges of technology between the two countries;
3. Promote increased private investment consistent with the investment policies of the two countries;
4. Recommend as appropriate specific actions to strengthen cooperation in trade, investment and exchange of technology between the two Governments and between mutually agreed agencies and organizations in the two countries; and
5. Review progress periodically towards the expansion of bilateral cooperation in the fields of trade, investment and exchange of technology.

Article III. OPERATION

The Joint Committee shall meet at the ministerial level. The United States delegation will normally be presided over by the Secretary of Commerce. The Moroccan delegation will normally be presided over by the Minister in charge of Commerce. Each delegation will consist of representatives of government entities concerned with the particular topics on the agenda of the meeting. The Joint Committee may invite to such meetings, as may be mutually agreed on an *ad hoc* basis, those experts and advisers whose participation is required.

The Joint Committee may appoint working groups on an *ad hoc* basis to discuss specific issues or fields of cooperation, and assign tasks to be accomplished by the working groups.

¹ Came into force on 25 September 1980 by signature, in accordance with article VII.

Article IV. MEETINGS

In principle the regular meeting of the Joint Committee shall be held annually. Meetings shall be held in each country alternately. Special meetings may be convened by mutual agreement.

Article V. ALLOCATION OF EXPENSES

Administrative expenses incidental to the meetings of the Joint Committee and its working groups shall be borne by the country in which the meeting is held. Each Government shall bear the expenses of its own representation at the meetings of the Joint Committee and its working groups, including the expenses of its representatives. All procedural and administrative matters not provided for herein shall be determined by the Joint Committee or its working groups upon the mutual consent of the two sides.

Article VI. DURATION

This Agreement shall remain in force for ten years. This Agreement is subject to the right of either Government to terminate it upon notification in writing to the other Government of its intention to do so. Such notification must be made not later than six months prior to the proposed date of termination of the Agreement.

Article VII. ENTRY INTO FORCE

This Agreement shall enter into force upon signature.

DONE at Washington, in duplicate, both texts being equally authentic, this twenty-fifth day of September 1980.

For the Government
of the United States of America:

[Signed — Signé]¹

For the Government
of the Kingdom of Morocco:

[Signed — Signé]²

¹ Signed by Philip M. Klutznick — Signé par Philip M. Klutznick.

² Signed by Azzedine Guessous — Signé par Azzedine Guessous.