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[TRANSLATION — TRADUCTION]

BASIC AGREEMENT¹ ON SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL CO-OPERATION BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED MEXICAN STATES AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF ECUADOR

The Government of the United Mexican States and the Government of the Republic of Ecuador,

Having as their noble aim the strengthening of the traditional ties of friendship and co-operation which exist between the two nations;

Recognizing the advantages for the economic and social development of both countries presented by the promotion of scientific research and exchange of technological know-how;

Convinced that such co-operation will contribute both to the development of human and natural resources and to an increase in the productive capacity of the two countries;

Have agreed as follows:

Article I. The Parties shall promote scientific and technological co-operation between the two States and to that end shall formulate a programme with specific objectives and projects in areas of mutual interest. The different areas of co-operation and the terms, conditions, financing and arrangements for implementation for each of the specific projects shall be laid down in special agreements concluded through the diplomatic channel.

Article II. For the purposes of this Agreement, co-operation between the two countries shall mainly take the following forms:

- (a) Joint or co-ordinate programmes research, development and training;
- (b) Establishment of research institutions and experimental advanced training centres;
- (c) Organization of seminars and conferences;
- (d) Exchange of information and documentation.

Article III. In implementing the forms of co-operation referred to in article II of this Agreement, the Parties shall make use of the following means:

- (a) Granting of fellowships for specialized studies, advanced vocational training or other training;
- (b) Exchange of young Mexican and Ecuadorian technicians;
- (c) Assignment of specialists, researchers and technicians as advisers and teachers under specific projects or programmes;
- (d) Supply or exchange of equipment and materials necessary for the execution of co-operation programmes or projects;
- (e) Exchange of scientific and technological knowledge and information;
- (f) Any other means agreed upon by the Parties.

Article IV. The Parties may seek financing and assistance from international bodies for studies and the implementation of programmes and projects that result from the forms

¹ Came into force on 1 February 1979, the date on which the Parties notified each other of the completion of the formalities required by their legislation, in accordance with article XI (1).

of co-operation referred to in article II and from any special agreements which they may conclude.

Article V. The international travel costs for personnel referred to in article III, paragraph (c), of this Agreement who are sent by one of the Parties to the territory of the other shall be defrayed by the Party providing the said personnel. The costs of lodging, meals, and any travel within and outside the country which is necessary for the implementation of the programme shall be defrayed by the receiving Party, unless they are the subject of the special agreements referred to in article I.

Article VI. 1. For the purposes of this Agreement, a Mexican-Ecuadorian Joint Commission for Technical Co-operation shall be established and shall meet each year alternately in Mexico and Ecuador. The Commission shall be composed of an equal number of Mexican and Ecuadorian members, to be appointed by their respective Governments for each meeting.

2. The Commission shall examine matters relating to the implementation of this Agreement; it shall propose the annual programme of activities to be undertaken, periodically review the programme as a whole and make recommendations to the two Governments. It may also propose the convening of special meetings to consider specific projects or topics.

Article VII. 1. The Parties undertake to disseminate scientific and technological information subject to the provisions laid down in paragraphs 2 and 3 of this article.

2. The exchange of scientific or technological information shall take place directly between the agencies designated by the Parties, in particular research institutes, documentation centres and specialized libraries.

3. Dissemination of information provided may be prohibited or restricted if the other Party, or the agencies designated by it, so agrees before or during the exchange.

Article VIII. Each Party shall facilitate the entry into and exit from its territory of the specialists who have been selected in advance, and who come from the other Party to collaborate in any joint activity. Each Party shall likewise provide the facilities necessary for the import of equipment and materials necessary for the execution of projects. These facilities shall be granted subject to the provisions in force in the national legislation of the receiving country and shall be defined through an exchange of notes between the respective Ministries of Foreign Affairs.

Article IX. The personnel assigned by the Parties in accordance with this Agreement shall be subject to the provisions of the national legislation of their place of employment. Such personnel may not engage in any economic activity unrelated to their duties in the host country without the prior authorization of the two Parties.

Article X. In accordance with the national legislation of each of the Parties, the respective national agencies entrusted with the scientific and technological co-operation shall co-ordinate the programmes provided for in articles I and VI and the preparation of special agreements for the execution of the programmes provided for in this Agreement.

Article XI. 1. This Agreement shall enter into force on the date on which the Parties notify each other that they have completed the formalities prescribed by the laws of each country.

2. This Agreement shall remain in force for an indefinite period and may be denounced by either of the Parties, in which case it shall cease to have effect six months after the date of receipt of the denunciation.

3. The termination provided for in the previous paragraph shall not affect the implementation of projects which are under way or the term of the special agreements which have been concluded in accordance with article I.

DONE at Quito on 13 July 1974.

For the United Mexican States:

[*Signed*]

EMILIO O. RABASA
Secretary for Foreign Affairs

For the Republic of Ecuador:

[*Signed*]

ANTONIO JOSÉ LUCIO PAREDES
Minister for Foreign Affairs
