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**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
and
HUNGARY**

**Joint Statement on the development of agricultural trade
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**Déclaration conjointe relative au développement du com-
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JOINT STATEMENT¹ ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF AGRICULTURAL TRADE AND COOPERATION BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE HUNGARIAN PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC

The Department of Agriculture of the United States of America and the Ministry of Agriculture and Food of the Hungarian People's Republic, hereinafter collectively referred to as the Parties,

Recognizing the steady improvement of relations between the two countries,

Believing that the expansion of agricultural trade and cooperation would be of mutual benefit,

Having expressed a desire to expand economic, scientific and technical cooperation in the field of agriculture,

Have agreed to the following statement:

Article I. In order to further promote the accomplishment of the objectives laid down in article II of the Agreement on trade relations between the United States of America and the Hungarian People's Republic, signed on March 17, 1978,² in Budapest, the two Parties will strengthen and widen their collaboration in the field of agriculture.

In accordance with the principles and provisions set forth in the relevant agreements concluded between their two Governments, the two Parties declare their intention to expand bilateral agricultural trade, and to promote cooperation in agricultural science and technology between the ministries, research organizations and institutions of both countries. The Parties will consult on the situation and outlook for bilateral agricultural trade, and on measures to facilitate and enhance such trade.

The Parties will endeavor to promote harmonious development of agricultural cooperation and mutual benefit in the field of plant production, animal husbandry and related areas. In order to ensure the development of economic relations, and to promote the flow of information, both Parties will, on a regular and timely basis, exchange data, forecasts and other information on production, utilization [and] trade of major agricultural commodities in their countries.

Joint activities for the promotion of economic contacts, and specification of the exchange of information will be determined by the two Parties in accordance with the agricultural policies of the respective countries and within the framework referred to in article III.

Article II. In order to develop working relationships, both Parties will promote and facilitate joint activities and contacts between representatives of the Parties and companies, associations, and educational and research institutions in both countries, and they will facilitate and promote joint research and exchange visits by agricultural researchers, specialists and scientific trainees.

Cooperative activities of mutual interest and benefit to the Parties may be identified by consultations between specialists associated with the Parties.

The Parties will also encourage training institutions, universities, private research organizations and cooperatives in each of their respective countries to undertake working contacts with similar entities located in the country of the other Party.

¹ Came into force on 13 May 1981 by signature.

² United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 1119, p. 137.

Scientific and technical cooperation between the Parties will be promoted according to the principles established under the relevant intergovernmental agreement.

Those entities referred to in article II which cooperate with the Parties in seeking the objectives of this Joint Statement will be allowed maximum latitude in carrying out programs of mutual benefit to the Parties.

Article III. In order to facilitate and promote cooperation between the Parties, the permanent Working Group on Agricultural Cooperation—co-chaired by representatives of the Parties—is confirmed under the Joint Statement, in accordance with the terms of reference attached to the Minutes of the Joint Economic and Commercial Committee signed in Budapest, March 9, 1979, and with the Program of cooperation and exchanges in culture, education, science and technology signed October 25, 1979,¹ in Washington, D.C.

The Working Group will hold meetings annually at a mutually agreed date or, if practical, at the times of the session of the Joint Economic and Commercial Committee, to discuss the implementation of the objectives set out in the present Joint Statement.

The entities referred to in article II shall regularly inform the Working Group about their joint activities. Representatives of the Working Group will be present to provide information at annual sessions of the Joint Economic and Commercial Committee. The executive agents of the Program of Cooperation and Exchanges in Culture, Education, Science and Technology will also be informed of the activities of the Working Group.

In order to maintain the continuity of activities, the Parties will regularly assess and evaluate the accomplishments of tasks specified in the Joint Statement. The mutually adopted program for cooperation and the results attained will be taken down in the official proceedings at the Working Group sessions.

Article IV. Subsequent to the signing of this Joint Statement, the Parties will develop their relations as specified. Cooperative activities will be undertaken in accordance with the laws of the two countries and as funds are available.

The Joint Statement will be effective for five years, unless it is extended by mutual agreement. The Joint Statement may be made null and void six months after either Party's written notice. In the event of its recall, measures will be taken to complete ongoing activities.

SIGNED in Washington, D.C., May 13, 1981, in the English and Hungarian languages, each text being equally authentic.

For the Department of Agriculture
of the United States of America:

[Signed — Signé]²

For the Ministry of Agriculture and Food
of the Hungarian People's Republic:

[Signed — Signé]³

¹ United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 1207, p. 261.

² Signed by Seeley G. Lodwick — Signé par Seeley G. Lodwick.

³ Signed by Imre Kovacs — Signé par Imre Kovacs.