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MALTA and CZECHOSLOVAKIA

Agreement on co-operation in the field of health care. Signed at Prague on 11 January 1980

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AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF MALTA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE CZECHOSLOVAK SOCIALIST REPUBLIC ON COOPERATION IN THE FIELD OF HEALTH CARE

The Government of the Republic of Malta and the Government of the Czechoslovak Socialist Republic,

Guided by their desire to develop and encourage cooperation in the field of health care, In accordance with the Final Act of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in

Have decided to conclude the present Agreement:

Europe, signed on 1st August 1975 in Helsinki,²

Article 1. The Contracting Parties shall encourage and develop cooperation and exchange of experience in the questions of health care and medical science so that this cooperation could contribute to the continuous improvement of health of the people of both countries.

Article 2. The Contracting Parties shall encourage:

- a) The exchange of experience in the questions of the organization of health care and its management, especially in the field of medical-preventive care, hygienic and antiepidemic services, health education and use of medical instruments, equipment and medicaments;
- b) The exchange of specialists for study stays and consultations;
- c) The direct cooperation between the health institutions and organizations of both countries;
- d) The exchange of plans and materials concerning congresses, conferences and consultations dealing with the questions of the organization of health care and the questions of medical science. They shall mutually invite citizens of the other Party to participate in scientific congresses and conferences held in their territories;
- e) The sending of specialists for working stays on the basis of agreements between the relevant organizations of the Contracting Parties.
- Article 3. For the purpose of common struggle against transferable diseases, the competent authorities of the Contracting Parties shall mutually exchange experience from the preventive, diagnostic and therapeutic aspects of such diseases.
- Article 4. The competent authorities of the Contracting Parties shall mutually exchange lists of medical literature and health films, audio-visual aids and other material from the field of health education.
- Article 5. The Contracting Parties shall cooperate in the field of training and completion of training of health workers, particularly in the following forms:
- a) They shall encourage the exchange of physicians and other health workers or shall enable them post-graduate training in certain specialized fields and study of certain kinds of diseases;
- b) They shall exchange tuition aids and pedagogical experience.
- Article 6. 1. In case of injury, acute illness or in other urgent cases, each Contracting Party shall provide the citizens of the other Contracting Party temporarily staying in its territory with the necessary free medical care.

¹ Came into force on 29 October 1980 by an exchange of notes by which the Contracting Parties informed each other of its approval according to their constitutional regulations, in accordance with article 8.

² International Legal Materials, vol. 14, 1975, p. 1292.

- 2. Upon the request of the other Party the Contracting Parties shall enable the admission of patients for special medical treatment or medical treatment in the spas.
- Article 7. For the purpose of the implementation of the present Agreement the Contracting Parties shall conclude, always for a period of three years, plans of cooperation containing also the financial and organizational conditions for the implementation of the present Agreement.
- Article 8. The present Agreement is subject to approval according to the constitutional regulations of the Contracting Parties and shall enter into force on the day of the exchange of notes on such approval.
- Article 9. The present Agreement is concluded for a period of five years and its validity shall be prolonged always for a period of further five years unless one of the Contracting Parties denounces it in writing six months prior to the termination of the relevant period of validity.

GIVEN at Prague on 11th January 1980 in two copies, each in the English and Czech languages, both texts being equally authentic.

For the Government of the Republic of Malta: [Signed — Signé]¹

For the Government of the Czechoslovak Socialist Republic:

[Signed — Signé]²

Signed by Dr. Vincent Moran — Signé par Vincent Moran.
 Signed by Dr. Jaroslav Prokopec — Signé par Jaroslav Prokopec.