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### FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY and MAURITANIA

## Agreement concerning financial co-operation. Signed at Nouakchott on 31 March 1980

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### RÉPUBLIQUE FÉDÉRALE D'ALLEMAGNE et MAURITANIE

# Accord de coopération financière. Signé à Nouakchott le 31 mars 1980

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#### AGREEMENT<sup>1</sup> BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF MAURITANIA CONCERNING FINAN-CIAL CO-OPERATION

The Government of the Federal Republic of Germany and the Government of the Islamic Republic of Mauritania,

In the spirit of the friendly relations existing between the Federal Republic of Germany and the Government of the Islamic Republic of Mauritania,

Desiring to strengthen and enhance these friendly relations through financial cooperation as partners,

Aware that the maintenance of these relations constitutes the basis of this Agreement,

Intending to contribute to social and economic development in the Islamic Republic of Mauritania,

Have agreed as follows:

Article 1. (1) The Government of the Federal Republic of Germany shall enable the Government of the Islamic Republic of Mauritania or another borrower to be selected jointly by the two Governments to raise with the Kreditanstalt für Wiederaufbau (Development Loan Corporation), Frankfurt am Main, for the "Nouakchott gantry crane" project, a loan of up to DM 600,000 (six hundred thousand deutsche mark).

(2) The project referred to in paragraph 1 may be replaced by other projects if the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany and the Government of the Islamic Republic of Mauritania so agree.

Article 2. (1) Utilization of this loan as well as the terms and conditions on which it is granted shall be governed by the contracts to be concluded between the Kreditanstalt für Wiederaufbau and the borrower; these contracts shall be subject to the laws and regulations applicable in the Federal Republic of Germany.

(2) The Government of the Islamic Republic of Mauritania, to the extent that it is not itself a borrower, shall stand surety *vis-à-vis* the Kreditanstalt für Wiederaufbau for all deutsche mark payments to be made in discharge of the borrower's liabilities under the contracts to be concluded pursuant to article 1 above.

*Article 3.* The Government of the Islamic Republic of Mauritania shall exempt the Kreditanstalt für Wiederaufbau from all taxes and other fiscal charges levied in the Islamic Republic of Mauritania in connection with the conclusion and execution of the contracts referred to in article 2.

Article 4. The Government of the Islamic Republic of Mauritania shall allow passengers and suppliers free choice of transport enterprises for such transport by

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Came into force on 31 March 1980 by signature, in accordance with article 8.

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sea, land and air of persons and goods as results from the granting of the loan, refrain from taking any measures that might exclude or impede the participation on equal terms of transport enterprises having their principal place of business in the German area of application of this Agreement and grant any necessary permits for the participation of such enterprises.

Article 5. Supplies and services for projects financed from the loan shall, unless otherwise provided for in individual cases, be subject to international public tender.

Article 6. With regard to supplies and services resulting from the granting of the loan, the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany attaches particular importance to preference being given to the economic potential of Land Berlin.

Article 7. With the exception of those provisions of article 4 which refer to air transport, this Agreement shall also apply to *Land Berlin*, provided that the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany does not make a declaration to the contrary to the Government of the Islamic Republic of Mauritania within the three months following the date of entry into force of this Agreement.

Article 8. This Agreement shall enter into force on the date of this signature.

DONE at Nouakchott on 31 March 1980 in duplicate, in the German and French languages, both texts being equally authentic.

For the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany: ZAGORSKI

For the Government of the Islamic Republic of Mauritania: AHMED OULD ZEIN