

**No. 21778**

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**FRANCE  
and  
COMOROS**

**Treaty of friendship and co-operation. Signed at Paris on  
10 November 1978**

*Authentic text: French.*

*Registered by France on 30 March 1983.*

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**Traité d'amitié et de coopération. Signé à Paris le 10 no-  
vembre 1978**

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## [TRANSLATION — TRADUCTION]

TREATY<sup>1</sup> OF FRIENDSHIP AND CO-OPERATION BETWEEN THE  
ISLAMIC FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF THE COMOROS AND THE  
FRENCH REPUBLIC

The President of the Islamic Federal Republic of the Comoros, on the one hand,

The President of the French Republic, on the other hand,

Desiring to develop and strengthen the friendly relations between their two countries, and the co-operation between the Islamic Federal Republic of the Comoros and the French Republic in the political, military, economic, financial, cultural, social and technical fields, on the basis of equality, mutual respect for national sovereignty and territorial integrity, non-intervention in the internal affairs of each State and protection of their mutual interests;

Anxious to fulfil the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations for the promotion of international co-operation and friendly relations among nations;

Convinced that co-operation between the Islamic Federal Republic of the Comoros and the French Republic contributes to the lessening of international tensions and is a factor for peace;

Desiring to strengthen mutual understanding between the people of the Islamic Federal Republic of the Comoros and the people of the French Republic,

Have decided to conclude this Treaty.

The President of the Islamic Federal Republic of the Comoros has appointed for this purpose his plenipotentiary Mr. Ali Mroudjae, Minister for Foreign Affairs, Co-operation and Foreign Trade, who has presented his powers, found in good and due form.

The President of the French Republic has appointed for this purpose his plenipotentiary Mr. Robert Galley, Minister of Co-operation, who has presented his full powers, found in good and due form.

*Article I.* The High Contracting Parties decide to base the relations of their two countries on equality, mutual respect and peace.

*Article II.* The High Contracting Parties proclaim their firm intention of maintaining and strengthening the ties of co-operation and friendship existing between their two countries, to work towards the strengthening of peace and security, and to promote all forms of international co-operation aimed at fostering peace and cultural, economic and social progress.

*Article III.* The High Contracting Parties undertake to consult each other on problems of common interest and to promote the economic development of

<sup>1</sup> Came into force provisionally on 10 November 1978 by signature, and definitively on 2 February 1983, the date of the last of the notifications (effected on 24 July 1981 and 2 February 1983) by which the Contracting Parties informed each other of the completion of the required constitutional procedures, in accordance with article VI.

their two countries, and decide to offer each other every possible assistance in order to achieve their declared objectives.

*Article IV.* The High Contracting Parties undertake to develop and strengthen co-operation between their two countries in the fields of culture, science, technology and education.

*Article V.* The High Contracting Parties shall promote co-operation between their respective public and private national bodies, and between the economic, social and cultural institutions of the two countries and shall encourage exchanges of experience and information in such areas as they may deem useful by mutual agreement.

*Article VI.* This Treaty shall be implemented provisionally from the date of its signature. It shall enter into force on the date of the last notification of the completion, by each of the High Contracting Parties, of the required constitutional procedures.

DONE at Paris on 10 November 1978 (in two original copies).

For the French Republic:

[Signed]

ROBERT GALLEY  
Minister of Co-operation

For the Islamic Federal Republic  
of the Comoros:

[Signed]

ALI MROUDJAE  
Minister for Foreign Affairs,  
Co-operation and Foreign Trade