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**CZECHOSLOVAKIA  
and  
ETHIOPIA**

**Treaty of friendship and co-operation. Signed at Addis Ababa  
on 13 September 1981**

*Authentic texts: Czech, Amharic and English.*

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## TREATY<sup>1</sup> OF FRIENDSHIP AND CO-OPERATION BETWEEN THE CZECHOSLOVAK SOCIALIST REPUBLIC AND SOCIALIST ETHIOPIA

The Czechoslovak Socialist Republic and Socialist Ethiopia,

Proceeding from the traditional relations of close friendship, co-operation and anti-imperialist solidarity that exist between the two countries;

Convinced that the further strengthening of friendship and enhancement of the all-round co-operation between them meet the interests of the peoples of both countries;

Aware that the unity of all revolutionary forces and co-operation between the Socialist and developing countries are important factors for the strengthening of the independence of the countries that have freed themselves from foreign domination and exploitation;

Determined to further contribute to the cause of international peace and security, struggle against imperialism, colonialism, neo-colonialism, racism and apartheid in all their forms and manifestations, domination and oppression and to contribute to the unity of all forces struggling for social progress in the world;

Reaffirming their adherence to the principles and objectives of the United Nations Charter;

Mindful of the Declaration on the Relations of Friendship and Co-operation between the Czechoslovak Socialist Republic and Socialist Ethiopia of 2 December 1978;

Attaching great significance to the further development and strengthening of their mutual relations,

Have resolved to conclude this Treaty and have agreed as follows:

*Article 1.* The High Contracting Parties shall, in conformity with the principle of proletarian internationalism, further deepen their relations of friendship and solidarity. They shall develop their all-round co-operation on the basis of mutual respect for State sovereignty, territorial integrity and independence, equality and non-interference in internal affairs.

*Article 2.* The High Contracting Parties shall make every effort for the broadening and intensification of a mutually advantageous bilateral and multilateral economic, trade, cultural, scientific and technological co-operation on a long term basis with a view to contribute to the growth of the welfare of the peoples of the two countries.

*Article 3.* The High Contracting Parties shall promote all-round co-operation as well as the exchange of experience in the fields of science, culture, education, health, literature, art, cinema, television, radio, press, physical training, sports, tourism and in

<sup>1</sup> Came into force on 28 June 1982 by the exchange of the instruments of ratification, which took place at Addis Ababa, in accordance with article 11.

other fields for the purpose of a more profound understanding of the life, work and achievements of the peoples of the two countries.

*Article 4.* The High Contracting Parties shall further endeavour for the consistent implementation of the principles of peaceful co-existence of States with different social systems and for the widening and deepening of the process of détente, for the achievement of general and complete disarmament, including nuclear disarmament, and to those ends, shall also actively advocate settlement of all international disputes by peaceful means, without prejudice to the legitimate rights of States, under the Charter of the United Nations, to individual or collective self-defence.

*Article 5.* The High Contracting Parties shall continue to support the struggle against the forces of imperialism and for the complete elimination of colonialism, neo-colonialism, racism, and apartheid in all their forms and manifestations.

They shall always render active solidarity and support to the Non Aligned Movement in this struggle and to all peoples fighting for their freedom, independence, sovereignty and social progress, for the right of peoples to exercise permanent control over, and use of their natural resources and for the establishment of a new international economic order based on equality and justice.

*Article 6.* The High Contracting Parties shall continue to make active contribution to safeguard, preserve and strengthen international peace and security against the designs, conspiracies and attacks of the enemies of peace and the aggressive forces of imperialism and reaction. They further reaffirm their adherence to the scrupulous respect for the principle of the inviolability of State boundaries and territorial integrity as the most important prerequisites for the maintenance of peace and security.

*Article 7.* The High Contracting Parties shall consult each other on important international questions affecting the interests of the two countries as well as on questions regarding their mutual relations.

*Article 8.* The High Contracting Parties shall, through bilateral talks and in a spirit of mutual respect and understanding, settle any questions that may arise from the interpretation or application of this Treaty.

*Article 9.* The High Contracting Parties declare that nothing in the present Treaty shall affect their obligations under existing international treaties or agreements.

*Article 10.* On the day of entry of this Treaty into force the Treaty of Friendship and Cooperation between the two countries, concluded at Addis Ababa on 11 December 1959,<sup>1</sup> shall cease to be valid.

*Article 11.* The present Treaty is subject to ratification and shall enter into force on the day of the exchange of the instruments of ratification which will take place as soon as possible.

<sup>1</sup> United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 386, p. 51.

*Article 12.* This Treaty shall be valid for twenty years after its entry into force and shall be automatically extended for successive periods of five years unless one of the High Contracting Parties gives notice in writing to the other High Contracting Party of its desire to terminate the Treaty at least twelve months before the expiry of the current period.

DONE at Addis Ababa on 13 September 1981 in two originals, each in the Czech, Amharic and the English languages, all the texts being equally authentic.

For the Czechoslovak  
Socialist Republic:  
[Signed — Signé]<sup>1</sup>

For Socialist Ethiopia:  
[Signed — Signé]<sup>2</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> Signed by Gustáv Husák — Signé par Gustáv Husák.

<sup>2</sup> Signed by Mengistu Haile Mariam — Signé par Mengistu Haile Mariam.