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FRANCE and IVORY COAST

Agreement concerning environmental protection. Signed at Abidjan on 22 February 1982

Authentic text: French.

Registered by France on 20 September 1983.

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Accord en matière de protection de l'environnement. Signé à Abidjan le 22 février 1982

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Enregistré par la France le 20 septembre 1983.

[TRANSLATION — TRADUCTION]

AGREEMENT' BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE FRENCH REPUBLIC AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF IVORY COAST CONCERNING ENVIRONMENTAL THE **PROTECTION**

The Government of the French Republic, on the one hand, and

The Government of the Republic of the Ivory Coast, on the other hand,

Aware of a common interest in safeguarding nature,

Considering the desire of the Ivorian Government to develop its policy of environmental protection,

Considering the intention of both Governments to expand their co-operation in that field.

Have agreed as follows:

- Article 1. Within the framework of the Agreements on co-operation signed by their two Governments on 24 April 1961,² the Government of the French Republic and the Government of the Republic of the Ivory Coast resolve to extend such co-operation to the domain of the protection of nature and the environment.
- Article 2. The co-operation established by virtue of this Agreement shall include, inter alia, the exchange of information and experts, training of specialists and the organization of activities such as the joint execution of work, studies, experiments and research. Joint initiatives may be taken with respect to third countries.
- Article 3. The definition and the conditions of expert missions shall be the subject of specific conventions.

French personnel seconded on short-term missions shall be covered by the guarantees set forth in the General Agreement on technical co-operation in personnel matters concluded on 24 April 1961,3 which shall govern specialized personnel made available to the Republic of the Ivory Coast under this Agreement.

Article 4. At the request of the Government of the Republic of the Ivory Coast, the Government of the French Republic shall contribute, in so far as possible, to the financing of projects planned by mutual agreement. Any supplies and equipment which may be provided by the Government of the French Republic for the implementation of these projects shall, on entry into the Republic of the Ivory Coast, be exempt from all import duties and taxes.

Article 5. This Agreement shall enter into force on the date of its signature.

It shall remain in force until the expiry of a six-month period following the date on which one Government informs the other of its intention to terminate the Agreement.

¹ Came into force on 22 February 1982 by signature, in accordance with article 5. ² United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 747, pp. 113 and 119.

³ See p. 75 of this volume.

In WITNESS WHEREOF the representatives of the two Governments, being duly authorized thereto, have signed this Agreement and have thereto affixed their seals.

DONE at Abidjan, on 22 February 1982, in duplicate.

For the Government of the French Republic:

[Signed]

MICHEL CRÉPEAU
Minister of the Environment

For the Government of the Republic of the Ivory Coast:

[Signed]

ANTOINE BROU TANOH Minister of the Environment