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AGREEMENT¹ ON ECONOMIC AND TECHNICAL CO-OPERATION

The Government of Australia and the Government of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (referred to hereunder as the Contracting Parties), wishing to strengthen the friendly relations existing between the two countries and considering the benefits which may result for both countries from fostering economic and technical co-operation between them, have agreed as follows:

Article I. The Contracting Parties shall encourage the development and strengthening of economic and technical co-operation between their countries in a spirit of mutual understanding.

Article II. The co-operation mentioned in this Agreement shall include, but is not limited to, the following:

- (i) Encourage the implementation of development projects of interest to both Contracting Parties in agricultural, animal husbandry, industrial and technical matters;
- (ii) Encouraging the exchange of various commodities and products;
- (iii) Encouraging the exchange of information concerning scientific and technological research;
- (iv) Encouraging the exchange and training of technical experts required for mutually acceptable and specific programmes of co-operation.

Article III. The Contracting Parties shall encourage economic and technical co-operation between the nationals (including legal persons) of the two countries, in accordance with the laws and regulations in force, especially the establishment of projects and joint industrial ventures in various fields.

Article IV. The Contracting Parties shall encourage the exchange of visits of representatives, delegations and trade missions and the organisation of temporary commercial exhibitions, for developing trade between their countries.

Article V. The Contracting Parties shall establish a Joint Commission which shall meet alternately in each country, at the request of either Contracting Party in order to consult on procedures and methods to strengthen and develop economic and technical co-operation between them.

Article VI. (a) The implementation of this Agreement shall begin from the date of its signature and it shall enter into force on the date of the exchange of notifications of the approval of each Contracting Party in accordance with the regulations in force in each country.

(b) This Agreement shall remain in force for a period of three years, beginning from the date of its entry into force. It shall renew automatically for consecutive periods of one year each, unless one of the Contracting Parties denounces it six months before the date of expiry of the current period.

¹ Came into force provisionally from 23 March 1980 by signature, and definitively on 18 May 1981, the date of the exchange of the notifications confirming its approval, in accordance with article VI (a).

(c) At the termination of this Agreement, contracts at the stage of implementation which were concluded during the operation of the Agreement, and payments relating to those contracts, shall continue to be subject to the provisions of the Agreement.

DONE in two originals at Riyadh this sixth day of Jumada Al-Awwal 1400 A.H. corresponding to the twenty-third day of March 1980 A.D. in the Arabic and English languages both texts being equally authoritative.

For the Government
of Australia:

[Signed]

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Deputy Prime Minister and
Minister of Trade and Resources

For the Government
of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia:

[Signed]

Dr. SOLIMAN A. SOLAIM
Minister of Commerce
