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and
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Authentic texts: Russian and English.

Registered by the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics on 31 October 1983.

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PROTOCOL¹ ON THE TRADE REPRESENTATION OF THE UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS IN THE REPUBLIC OF SIERRA LEONE

To promote trade between the two countries, the Government of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and the Government of the Republic of Sierra Leone have agreed as follows:

Article 1. The Government of the Republic of Sierra Leone agrees, on the basis of reciprocity, that the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics will have its Trade Representation in the Republic of Sierra Leone.

The Trade Representation of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics shall have the following functions:

- (a) To promote the development of trade relations between the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and the Republic of Sierra Leone;
- (b) To represent the interests of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics in the Republic of Sierra Leone in all matters relating to the foreign trade of the USSR;
- (c) To assist foreign trade organizations of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics in purchases, sales and other commercial transactions.

Article 2. The Trade Representation of the USSR shall be an integral part of the Embassy of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics in the Republic of Sierra Leone and shall have its seat in Freetown.

In this connection the Trade Representative and his two deputies shall enjoy all the privileges and immunities which are accorded to the members of the diplomatic staff of foreign diplomatic missions in the Republic of Sierra Leone.

The administrative, technical and service staff of the Trade Representation of the USSR shall also enjoy all privileges and immunities which are accorded to the members of the corresponding staff category of foreign diplomatic missions under the relevant provisions of the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations of April 18, 1961.²

Article 3. The premises of the Trade Representation of the USSR shall enjoy the same privileges and immunities which are accorded to the premises of foreign diplomatic missions.

Article 4. The Trade Representation of the USSR shall have the right to use cipher.

The Trade Representation of the USSR shall not be subject to the rules on trade register.

¹ Came into force on 24 April 1980 by signature, in accordance with article 6.

² United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 500, p. 95.

Article 5. The establishment of the Trade Representation of the USSR in the Republic of Sierra Leone shall in no way affect the rights of Soviet Foreign Trade Organizations and Sierra Leone physical and juridical persons to maintain direct relations with each other for the purposes of concluding and executing commercial transactions.

Article 6. This Protocol shall come into effect from the date of its signature.

DONE in Freetown this 24 day of April, 1980, in two originals, each in the Russian and English languages, both texts being equally authentic.

For the Government of the Union
of Soviet Socialist Republics:

[Signed— Signé]¹

For the Government
of the Republic of Sierra Leone:

[Signed— Signé]²

¹ Signed by R. Tarzimanov — Signé par R. Tarzimanov.

² Signed by S. R. Filli-Faboe — Signé par S. R. Filli-Faboe.