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AGREEMENT ON INTERNATIONAL ROAD TRANSPORT BETWEEN THE STATE OF ISRAEL AND THE KINGDOM OF THE NETHERLANDS

The Government of the State of Israel and the Government of the Kingdom of the Netherlands, desirous, in the interest of their economic relations, of promoting the development of transport of goods by road between their respective countries and in transit across their territories;

Having decided to conclude an Agreement with the object of consolidating existing facilities and creating additional facilities;

Have agreed as follows:

Article 1. For the purpose of this Agreement the term "vehicle" shall mean:

- 1. Any mechanically propelled road vehicle constructed or adapted for:
 - (a) Carrying goods;
 - (b) Towing any other vehicle constructed or adapted for the carriage of goods.
- 2. Any trailer or semi-trailer constructed for the carriage of goods.
- 3. Any vehicle mounted, joined or coupled, comprising the vehicles defined above.
- Article 2. Each of the Contracting Parties shall allow any carrier authorized by the competent authorities of the other Contracting Party to carry goods by means of vehicles between the two countries, without any special licence:
- (a) Between any point in its territory and any point in the territory of the other country;
- (b) In transit through its own territory.
- Article 3. Nothing in this Agreement shall be held to permit carriers authorized by the competent authorities of one of the Contracting Parties to carry goods which are loaded at any point in the territory of the other Contracting Party to any other point in that territory.
- Article 4. Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, carriers authorized by the competent authorities of one of the Contracting Parties shall comply with the laws in force in the territory of the other Contracting Party.
- Article 5. In the event of any infringement of the provisions of this Agreement by a carrier authorized by the competent authorities of one of the Contracting Parties, the Contracting Party in whose territory the infringement occurred may notify the other Contracting Party, which will take such steps as are provided by its national laws.
- Article 6. 1. Vehicles of carriers authorized by the competent authorities of one of the Contracting Parties when engaged in international transport under the provisions of this Agreement shall be exempted from taxes and charges levied on the circulation or possession of vehicles as well as from special taxes or charges on transport operations in the territory of the other Contracting Party.
- 2. The fuel contained in the ordinary tanks of the vehicles mentioned in paragraph 1 of this Article, as well as the lubricants contained in the vehicles for the purpose of their operation, exclusively, shall be exempted from duties and any other taxes and payments in the territory of the other Contracting Party.

¹ Came into force on 15 May 1977, i.e., 30 days after the Contracting Parties notified each other (on 8 March and 15 April 1977) of the completion of their constitutional requirements, in accordance with article 10 (1).

- Article 7. If the weights or dimensions of a vehicle registered in the territory of one of the Contracting Parties, when engaged in international transport under the provisions of this Agreement, exceed the permissible maximum in the territory of the other Contracting Party, a special permit of the competent authority of that Contracting Party is required.
- Article 8. The provisions of this Agreement from Article 1 to Article 7 inclusive are each of equal validity for the transport of goods on own account.
- Article 9. 1. The competent authorities of the Two Contracting Parties shall regulate all questions regarding the implementation and the application of this Agreement.
 - 2. For this purpose, the Contracting Parties may establish a Joint Committee.
 - 3. The Joint Committee shall meet at the request of either Contracting Party.
- Article 10. 1. This Agreement shall enter into force thirty days from the date on which the Contracting Parties have notified each other that their constitutional requirements have been fulfilled.
- 2. With respect to the Kingdom of the Netherlands, this Agreement shall apply only to the territory of the Kingdom in Europe.
- 3. This Agreement shall remain in force for one year from the date of its entry into force and shall be tacitly extended from year to year unless denounced by one of the Contracting Parties six months before its validity expires.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the undersigned, being duly authorized thereto, have signed this Agreement.

DONE in duplicate at Jerusalem this day of November 3, 1975, in the Hebrew, Dutch and the English languages, each version being of equal authenticity.

For the Government of the State of Israel: [Signed] 1

For the Government of the Kingdom of the Netherlands: [Signed]²

¹ Signed by Yigal Allon — Signé par Yigal Allon.

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