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**Convention on technical co-operation. Signed at Bamako
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[TRANSLATION — TRADUCTION]

CONVENTION¹ ON TECHNICAL CO-OPERATION BETWEEN THE
KINGDOM OF THE NETHERLANDS AND THE REPUBLIC OF
MALI

The Government of the Kingdom of the Netherlands and the Government of the Republic of Mali,

Desiring to establish an administrative framework for the purpose of implementing projects in which the two Governments agree to co-operate, pending the adoption of international regulations in the field of technical co-operation,

Have agreed as follows:

Article 1. Where the two Governments have decided to collaborate on a particular technical co-operation project (hereinafter referred to as “a project”), the contributions of each Government to that project and the implementation thereof shall, in each case, be governed by an administrative arrangement between the competent administrative authorities of the Parties in accordance with the principles embodied in this Convention.

Article 2. In connection with a project, the Government of the Republic of Mali shall:

- (a) Exempt all payments made by the Government of the Netherlands to all assigned personnel (hereinafter called “the personnel”) from all taxes or other fiscal charges;
- (b) Exempt personnel from import and customs duties on new or used furniture and personal effects and on professional equipment imported into Mali during the six months following their arrival or the arrival of family members, on the condition that such property is re-exported from Mali at the time of departure or after the departure of personnel within the period agreed upon with the Government of Mali;
- (c) Grant to personnel the privilege of temporary importation of motor vehicles during the six months following their arrival in Mali, on the understanding that the vehicle, if sold to a person who does not have the same privilege, will be subject to an import tax based on its estimated value at the time of sale;
- (d) Exempt personnel and their family members from national service obligations;
- (e) Grant personnel immunity from legal process in respect of words spoken or written and any act performed by them in carrying out their official functions. However, Netherlands personnel and the members of their families are, under this article, required to respect Malian institutions and the legislation in force;
- (f) Arrange for personnel who are or will be employed by the Netherlands Government for the implementation of a project to be issued with entry visas and work permits free of charge;

¹ Came into force on 27 January 1984, the date on which the Parties notified each other in writing of the completion of the required constitutional procedures, in accordance with article 6 (1).

- (g) Grant to personnel for all payments made by the Netherlands authorities the most favourable exchange facilities, including external accounts;
- (h) Afford Netherlands personnel and their families repatriation facilities in time of national or international crises.

Article 3. 1. The Government of the Republic of Mali shall afford assistance and protection to Netherlands personnel. It shall inform the Government of the Kingdom of the Netherlands of any questions to which the presence of such personnel in Mali may give rise.

2. In case of a work-related accident causing the death or bodily injury of a third party or damage to property belonging to a third party, the Government of the Republic of Mali shall furnish to Netherlands personnel the administrative and legal assistance required to arrive at a satisfactory solution to the problem, respecting the legislation in effect in the Republic of Mali, but taking into account the provisions of paragraph 1 of this article.

3. The Government of the Republic of Mali may request the Government of the Kingdom of the Netherlands to recall any Netherlands expert whose conduct warrants such a step.

Article 4. Netherlands personnel shall be entitled to medical treatment at any hospital facility in the Republic of Mali under the same conditions as those which apply to officials of Mali.

Article 5. 1. The Government of the Republic of Mali shall exempt from all import duties and other charges equipment (including motor vehicles) and other supplies furnished by the Netherlands Government for the implementation of a project.

2. All movable and immovable property supplied or constructed by the Netherlands Government in the course of a project shall be transferred to the Government of Mali at the end of the project, unless it is required for another technical co-operation project between the two Governments.

Article 6. 1. This Convention shall enter into force on the date on which the two Governments notify each other in writing that the procedures required by their respective Constitutions have been complied with.

2. This Convention shall remain in force for a period of three years. It shall thereafter be deemed to have been tacitly renewed for further one-year terms, unless it is denounced six months before the end of the current term. Either Government shall, however, have the right to denounce the Convention at any time, subject to three months' notice.

3. In so far as the Kingdom of the Netherlands is concerned, this Convention shall apply only to the Kingdom in Europe.

4. The provisions of this Convention shall continue to apply until the completion of projects initiated before the expiration date of the Convention.

5. This Convention shall cease to have effect upon the entry into force of a general multilateral convention on technical co-operation affecting the two Governments.

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

DONE at Bamako, on 11 May 1983, in duplicate in the French language.

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