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AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE KINGDOM OF THE NETHERLANDS AND IRELAND CONCERNING CULTURAL CO-OPERATION

The Government of the Kingdom of the Netherlands and the Government of Ireland,

Desiring to strengthen the friendly relations between their two countries, and to this end to develop co-operation in education, science, research, culture and sociocultural development generally, have agreed as follows:

Article 1. The Contracting Parties shall promote co-operation between organisations and institutions in the fields of education (including the arts) and science. In particular, they shall support, as far as possible and on the basis of reciprocity:

- (a) co-operation between universities and other institutions of learning and of higher education and visits by academic staff and students;
- (b) co-operation between scientific institutions and visits by scientists and other experts;
- (c) the granting of scholarships and fellowships for students and young research workers;
- (d) the study and teaching of the languages, literature and culture of the other country at universities and other institutions of learning and of higher education;
- (e) the exchange of information and documentation concerning developments in education, science and research in their countries.

Article 2. The Contracting Parties shall promote co-operation between organisations and institutions in the fields of culture and the arts and between persons engaged in these fields. In particular, they shall support, as far as possible and on the basis of reciprocity:

- (a) Contacts and co-operation between libraries, archives and museums, including public art galleries;
- (b) Visits by persons engaged in the fields of culture and the arts, including writers, translators, composers, architects, creative and performing artists, art and literature critics, journalists and other such experts;
- (c) Co-operation in the fields of socio-cultural activities, the mass media, adult education, youth activities, sport, open air recreation and nature and urban conservation;
- (d) Artistic presentations designed to make the culture of each country better known to the other, including the exchange of exhibitions, of performances of music, theatre and dance, of books, periodicals and other publications of a cultural, scientific and technological nature, as well as of films and other audio-visual materials;

¹ Came into force on 1 May 1981, i.e., the first day of the second month after the date (19 March 1981) on which the Contracting Parties had notified each other of the completion of their respective constitutional requirements, in accordance with article 4.

- (e) The exchange of other information, specialised publications and documentation in the fields of culture and the arts, as well as the translation and publication of literary, scientific and artistic works and the dissemination of published music;
- (f) Performances by ensembles and soloists on a commercial basis, as well as the development of commercial relations in the fields of film, publishing and the production of records.

Article 3. Representatives of the Contracting Parties shall meet according to need, and in principle every two years, to consider the implementation of the provisions of this Agreement.

Article 4. This Agreement shall enter into force on the first day of the second month after the date on which the Contracting Parties have notified each other in writing that the pertinent constitutional requirements in their respective countries have been complied with.

Article 5. As regards the Kingdom of the Netherlands, the Agreement applies to the European part of the Kingdom only.

Article 6. Following an initial period of validity of five years, either Contracting Party may terminate this Agreement, giving six months' written notice to the other Contracting Party.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the undersigned plenipotentiaries being duly authorized thereto by their respective Governments, have signed this Agreement.

DONE at The Hague, 21 July, 1980, in duplicate in the English language.

For the Government of the Kingdom of the Netherlands:

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