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AGREEMENT¹ ON EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL CO-OPERATION BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED MEXICAN STATES AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE HELLENIC REPUBLIC

The Governments of the United Mexican States and of the Hellenic Republic, Desiring to strengthen the bonds of friendship which exist between their two countries and to expand their relations in the fields of education, art, culture and sports,

Have agreed as follows:

Article I. The Parties, having regard to the interests of their peoples, shall encourage co-operation in the fields of culture, education, the humanities, the arts and physical education.

Article II. The Parties shall facilitate the exchange of experience and achievements in culture and education. To that end, the Parties shall promote:

- (a) Visits by cultural figures, researchers, teachers, authors, officials and delegations to give or attend courses, seminars and lecture series, as well as composers, painters, cinematographers, artists and artistic ensembles to give concerts and performances or perform other activities, in the context of programmes arranged between the Parties;
- (b) Links between teaching centres and educational institutions at different levels, and between other institutions of an educational nature;
- (c) Contacts between libraries, museums and other institutions concerned with artistic and cultural activities;
- (d) The presentation of exhibitions and other cultural events, in accordance with the programmes established under article VII of this Agreement;
- (e) The exchange of information, at the request of either Party, for use in the preparation of textbooks and other educational publications, and of teaching materials for schools, research laboratories and educational institutions;
- (f) The exchange of books, journals, periodicals and other publications in the fields covered by this Agreement;
- (g) The reciprocal award of long-term and short-term fellowships for postgraduate study or for research;
- (h) Co-operation in the fields of radio, television and cinema, including the exchange of films and recordings for non-commercial purposes, on the basis of direct agreements between the competent institutions of the two countries and within the limitations and capabilities of the said institutions;
- (i) Co-operation in the field of physical education by means of the exchange of athletes, trainers, specialists and teams.

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¹ Came into force on 20 March 1985, the date on which the Parties notified each other of the completion of the constitutional procedures, in accordance with article IX.

Article III. The Parties shall facilitate negotiations between the competent institutions of the two countries for possible mutual recognition of and, where appropriate, establishment of equivalency between advanced studies, qualifications and academic degrees, in accordance with the relevant legislation.

Article IV. The Parties shall facilitate participation by their nationals in international congresses held in the territory of the other Party.

Article V. The Parties shall co-operate more closely in determining by mutual agreement the most appropriate reciprocal system for preventing and penalizing illegal traffic in works of art, documents, anthropological and archeological remains, flora and fauna related to their cultures, and other cultural property of historical value, in accordance with their respective national laws and the international treaties by which they are bound.

Article VI. Within the terms of the legislation in force in its territory, each Party shall grant facilities to the other for the entry, sojourn and departure of persons and for the importation of the material and equipment necessary for carrying out the programmes which may be established in accordance with this Agreement. No materials exempted from customs duties may be put up for sale commercially.

Article VII. The Parties agree to establish a Joint Commission consisting of such members as each Party may designate, which shall meet every two years, alternately in Mexico and in Greece, and in extraordinary session when deemed necessary, in order to draw up a biennial programme of cultural exchange between the two countries, to review the progress of earlier programmes and the state of development of this Agreement, and to recommend the measures necessary for its execution.

Article VIII. The implementation of the provisions of this Agreement and of the programmes established under it shall depend on the financial resources available annually to each Party.

The provisions both of this Agreement and of any programmes which may be established shall be implemented through the diplomatic channel.

All the exchanges provided for in this Agreement and in the programmes drawn up in accordance with article VII, in particular exchanges of artists and artistic ensembles, shall take place on a reciprocal basis.

Article IX. This Agreement shall enter into force on the date on which the Parties notify each other of the completion of the constitutional requirements of their respective countries.

Article X. This Agreement may be amended, at the request of either Party, by agreement between the Parties. Amendments shall enter into force on the date on which the Parties notify each other of the completion of the constitutional requirements of their respective countries.

Article XI. This Agreement shall remain in force for a term of five years and shall be automatically extended for further terms of five years unless one of the Parties notifies the other, not later than one year before the expiry of the current term, of its intention to terminate the Agreement.

SIGNED at Mexico City on 29 July 1982, in duplicate in the Spanish and Greek languages, both texts being equally authentic.

For the Government of the United Mexican States:

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[Signed] FERNANDO SOLANA Secretary of Public Education For the Government of the Hellenic Republic:

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