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[TRADUCTION --- TRANSLATION]

BASIC AGREEMENT¹ ON SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL CO-OPERATION BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED MEXICAN STATES AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE DOMINI-CAN REPUBLIC

The Government of the United Mexican States and the Government of the Dominican Republic, motivated by the lofty objective of strengthening the traditional ties of friendship existing between the two countries, and by their desire to promote and develop scientific and technical co-operation, thereby contributing to the economic and social development of their respective countries,

Have agreed as follows:

Article I. The Parties undertake to promote scientific and technical cooperation between the two States and, on the basis of this Agreement, shall establish biennial programmes consisting of specific projects of common interest in the areas agreed upon by the Parties.

Article II. For the purposes referred to in the previous article, co-operation between the two countries may take any of the following forms:

- (a) Providing the services of experts such as teachers, researchers, technicians or specialists in order to:
 - (i) Participate in research;
 - (ii) Co-operate in the training of scientific and technical personnel;
 - (iii) Provide scientific and technical assistance on specific problems;
 - (iv) Contribute to the study of projects selected jointly by the Parties; and
 - (v) Establish research institutes and experimental advanced training centres;
- (b) Participating in studies, vocational training programmes, experimental projects, working groups and other related activities;
- (c) Providing the equipment necessary for training or research;
- (d) Allowing the participation of individuals in post-graduate studies, specialized studies, training and study trips with a view to acquiring knowledge and experience in higher education and research establishments and other organizations; and
- (e) Any other form of technical or scientific co-operation which may be agreed upon by the two Governments.

Article III. For the purposes of this Agreement, a Joint Commission for Scientific and Technical Co-operation shall meet every two years, alternately in Mexico and the Dominican Republic, and shall be composed of delegates from both countries.

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¹ Came into force on 7 February 1985 by the exchange of the instruments of ratification, in accordance with article XIII.

Article IV. The Joint Commission shall consider matters relating to the implementation of this Agreement; establish the biennial programme of activities to be undertaken; periodically review the programme as a whole and make recommendations to the two Parties.

The Parties may also suggest the convening of special meetings to consider specific projects or topics.

Article V. The implementation of this Agreement shall be the responsibility of the national institutions which shall be designated by each Government for that purpose in accordance with the national legislation of the respective Parties by an exchange of notes through the diplomatic channel.

Article VI. The Parties may, by mutual agreement, seek financing and assistance from international or regional bodies, and from third countries, in the implementation of programmes and projects that result from the forms of co-operation referred to in article II of this Agreement.

Article VII. Each Party shall grant the necessary facilities for the entry, stay and departure of personnel who are involved, on an official basis, in co-operation projects. Such personnel shall be subject to the national provisions in force in the receiving country and may not engage in any activity unrelated to their duty without prior authorization of the two Parties.

Both Parties shall likewise provide all the administrative and fiscal facilities necessary for the entry and exit of equipment and materials used in implementing projects, in accordance with their national legislation.

Article VIII. Research programmes shall be brought into line with the provisions of the laws and regulations of the State in which they are carried out.

Article IX. The exchange of scientific and technical information between the Parties shall take place through the institutions designated by them.

The Party supplying information may, when it deems appropriate, draw the attention of the other Party to restrictions on its dissemination. When dissemination is possible, the Parties shall agree on the conditions and scope of such dissemination.

Article X. The Party receiving the experts shall appoint the necessary auxiliary personnel for the efficient execution of the programme. The experts shall furnish the auxiliary personnel in the receiving country with the necessary technical information in respect of the methods and practices to be followed in the implementation of the programmes, and the principles on which they are based.

Article XI. The condition for financing and the modalities of scientific and technical co-operation referred to in this Agreement shall be agreed upon in each case during the preparation of the programme in question.

Article XII. The provisions of this Agreement shall be applicable to any supplementary agreements reached in the area of scientific and technical co-operation.

Article XIII. This Agreement shall enter into force on the date on which the exchange of instruments of ratification takes place, following compliance with the provisions established in the legislation of the respective Parties.

Article XIV. This Agreement shall remain in force for five years and shall be tacitly extended for periods of one year. At any time, either Party may denounce this Agreement by notifying the other Party, through the diplomatic channel, six months in advance.

Denunciation of this Agreement shall not affect any ongoing projects agreed upon while it was in force, unless otherwise decided by the Parties.

DONE at Mexico City, on 30 March 1982, in duplicate, both texts being equally authentic.

For the Government of the United Mexican States:

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