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[TRANSLATION — TRADUCTION]

## TREATY<sup>1</sup> OF FRIENDSHIP AND CO-OPERATION BETWEEN THE REPUBLIC OF BURUNDI AND THE REPUBLIC OF THE NIGER

The Republic of Burundi, on the one hand,  
The Republic of the Niger, on the other,  
Hereinafter referred to as the “High Contracting Parties”,

Determined to strengthen the ties of friendship and sincere co-operation which unite them;

Desiring to develop all relations between the two countries on the basis of respect for the principles of equality under the law and mutual advantage, national sovereignty and independence, in accordance with the objectives defined by the Charter of the Organization of African Unity<sup>2</sup> and by the Charter of the United Nations;

Anxious to give reality to their common will to strengthen African unity,  
Have agreed as follows:

*Article 1.* The High Contracting Parties undertake to preserve and strengthen the ties of friendship and brotherhood between them and to unite their efforts to promote the harmonious development of their peoples with respect for their mutual interests.

To this end, the High Contracting Parties undertake to give each other mutual support in their struggle for the progress of their peoples and the defence of peace, and to refrain from any action which might be detrimental to the interests of either Party.

*Article 2.* The High Contracting Parties undertake to promote concerted action between them on bilateral problems and on any questions of common interest, particularly those concerning peace in Africa and in the world.

*Article 3.* The High Contracting Parties undertake to make every effort to establish and develop co-operation between their respective public bodies and between the economic, social and cultural institutions of the two countries, and to encourage exchanges of experience and information in all areas of common interest.

*Article 4.* The High Contracting Parties undertake to promote the strengthening of peace in Africa and in the world, to work towards the development of ties of friendship and solidarity between the countries of Africa, and to promote the settlement of existing differences or differences which might arise between the African States by peaceful means, in accordance with the spirit and principles of the Charter of the United Nations and of the Charter of the Organization of African Unity.

*Article 5.* The High Contracting Parties affirm their determination to work together towards the elimination of colonialism, *apartheid* and all forms of domination and racial discrimination in Africa and in the world.

<sup>1</sup> Came into force on 23 June 1986 by the exchange of the instruments of ratification, in accordance with article 9.

<sup>2</sup> United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 479, p. 39.

*Article 6.* The High Contracting Parties decide to encourage and promote, in a spirit of fraternal solidarity, any form of inter-African co-operation to further economic growth and social progress in Africa, by developing trade and technical, scientific and cultural exchanges between their two countries.

*Article 7.* This Treaty is concluded for an indefinite period unless one of the Parties denounces it in writing. Such denunciation shall take effect six months after the other Party has been notified of the denunciation.

*Article 8.* The High Contracting Parties shall transmit copies of this Treaty to the Secretary-General of the Organization of African Unity and to the Secretary-General of the United Nations.

*Article 9.* This Treaty shall be ratified in accordance with the constitutional provisions of both countries and shall enter into force as soon as the instruments of ratification are exchanged.

DONE at Niamey, on 17 September 1983, in two original copies, in French.

For the Government  
of the Republic of Burundi:

[Signed]

His Excellency  
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President of the National  
Progress and Unity Party  
President of the Republic  
of Burundi

For the Government  
of the Republic of the Niger:

[Signed]

His Excellency  
General SEYNI KOUNTCHE  
President of the Supreme  
Military Council  
Head of State