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AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF IRELAND AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA ON CULTURAL COOPERATION

The Government of Ireland and the Government of the People's Republic of China desiring to strengthen further the friendly relations between the two countries and to promote mutual knowledge and understanding by means of cooperation in the fields of education, science and culture, have resolved to conclude the present Agreement and have agreed as follows:

Article I. The Contracting Parties shall encourage cooperation between organisations and institutions in the fields of education and science. In particular they shall support, as far as possible and on the basis of reciprocity:

- (a) cooperation between universities and other institutions of learning and of higher education and visits by academic staff;
- (b) cooperation between scientific institutions and visits by scientists and other experts;
- (c) the granting of scholarships to students and those who want to further their study;
- (d) the exchange of information and documentation concerning developments in education and scientific research in their countries;
- (e) the exchange of teachers to work at universities and institutions of higher learning in the other country, and to teach the language, literature and culture of their own country.

Specific exchange items shall be agreed upon through diplomatic channels.

Article II. The Contracting Parties shall facilitate cooperation and exchanges in the fields of culture and the arts. In particular they shall encourage:

- (a) contacts and cooperation between libraries, archives and museums including public art galleries;
- (b) visits by persons engaged in the fields of culture and the arts, including writers, composers, artists, dramatists and other individuals involved in the creative and performing arts;
- (c) artistic presentations designed to make the culture of each country better known in the other, including exhibitions, performances of music, theatre and dance.

Article III. The Contracting Parties shall encourage the exchange of books, magazines, newspapers, films, recordings and other audio-visual materials of a cultural, artistic or educational nature.

Article IV. The Contracting Parties shall encourage and facilitate cooperation between the press, radio and television organisations of the two countries.

¹ Came into force on 27 December 1985, the date of the last of the notifications by which the Contracting Parties notified each other of the completion of the constitutional requirements, in accordance with article VIII.

Article V. The Contracting Parties shall endeavour to promote the exchange of visits and cooperation between youths and youth organisations of the two countries.

Article VI. The Contracting Parties shall encourage and endeavour to promote sports exchanges and cooperation between the sports organisations of the two countries. Specific sports exchange items shall be agreed upon separately by the sports organisations of both countries.

Article VII. The financial and administrative arrangements involved in the implementation of this Agreement shall be settled separately in accordance with the appropriate modalities to be agreed upon in each case by representatives of the two countries.

Article VIII. Each Contracting Party shall notify the other in writing of the completion of the constitutional requirements necessary for the entry into force of the present Agreement. The Agreement shall enter into force on the date of the later of the two notifications.

Article IX. The Agreement shall be valid for a period of five years. It shall be renewable automatically for successive periods of five years, and shall thereafter be renewed accordingly, unless requested to be terminated by either Party by serving a written notice to the other Party six months prior to the expiration of the Agreement. If renewed, it can be terminated at any time by either of the two Contracting Parties, such termination to take effect on the expiry of a six month period of notice.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the undersigned, being duly authorised, have signed this Agreement and have affixed thereto their seals.

DONE at Dublin on 16 May 1985 in duplicate in the English and Chinese languages, both texts being equally authentic.

[Signed — Signé]¹

For the Government
of Ireland

[Signed — Signé]²

For the Government
of the People's Republic of China

¹ Signed by Peadar de Barra — Signé par Peadar de Barra.

² Signed by Zhu Muzhi — Signé par Zhu Muzhi.