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and

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Agreement on relations in the scientific, educational and cultural fields for 1985-1987 (with agreed minute). Signed at Moscow on 25 March 1985

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Accord relatif aux relations dans les domaines scientifique, éducatif et culturel au cours de la période 1985-1987 (avec procès-verbal approuvé). Signé à Moscou le 25 mars 1985

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AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS ON RELATIONS IN THE SCIENTIFIC, EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL FIELDS FOR 1985-87

The Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics;

Being convinced of the important role of scientific, educational and cultural links between the peoples of the two countries as a means of promoting mutual understanding and confidence through fuller mutual knowledge of achievements in all these fields of activity;

Recognizing the positive value of the exchanges which have been taking place between the two countries on the basis of the Agreement between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics on Relations in the Scientific, Educational and Cultural Fields for 1983-85 signed in London on 3 March 1983;²

Referring to the principles, provisions and aims set forth in the Final Act of the Conference on Security and Co-operation in Europe;

Have agreed as follows:

Article I

- (1) The visits and exchanges provided for in the present Agreement shall be carried out in accordance with the laws and regulations which are in force in the United Kingdom and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (USSR) respectively. Within this framework both Parties shall do everything within their power to ensure maximum favourable conditions for such visits and exchanges to take place.
- (2) The visits and exchanges provided for in the Agreement shall not preclude other visits and exchanges which may be organised by either Party or undertaken by organisations, groups or individual citizens of either country.
- (3) Each Party shall have the right to include in its delegations interpreters or representatives of its Embassy within the agreed number of the delegates. The number of interpreters or representatives of Embassies in each delegation shall be agreed by both sides in advance.
- (4) Unless otherwise provided for in the Agreement and except where other specific arrangements have been mutually agreed upon, delegations and individuals visiting either country in accordance with the Agreement shall pay their own expenses, including travel between the United Kingdom and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, internal travel and the cost of maintenance in the receiving country.
- (5) Exchanges of persons in the number specified are dependent upon sufficient numbers of qualified applicants being available.

¹ Came into force on 1 April 1985, in accordance with article XIV.

Article II. EXCHANGES IN THE FIELD OF SCIENCE

- (1) Both Parties shall facilitate the development of mutually agreed scientific exchanges and co-operation between scientists of the United Kingdom and the USSR on the basis of the Agreement on Scientific Co-operation and the Exchange of Scientists between the Royal Society of London and the Academy of Sciences of the USSR, signed on 21 September 1977, and shall take the necessary steps for the encouragement of such co-operation and exchanges.
- (2) In addition, both Parties shall facilitate visits on a basis of reciprocity by scientists and specialists for the purpose of carrying out scientific research and becoming acquainted with the work of scientific research institutions on the basis that the sending side pays all expenses.
- (3) Both Parties shall facilitate the development of exchanges and co-operation arranged between the British Academy and the Academy of Sciences of the USSR in accordance with the Agreement on Scientific Exchanges in the Humanities and Social Sciences concluded between them which came into force on 1 April 1977.
- (4) Agreement on visits referred to above other than any arranged directly between the Royal Society or the British Academy and the Academy of Sciences of the USSR shall be effected between the British Council and any other appropriate organisations of the United Kingdom on the one hand and the Academy of Sciences of the USSR on the other hand.
- (5) The Royal Society, the British Academy and the British Council on the one hand and the Academy of Sciences of the USSR on the other shall, where possible, facilitate visits of scientists to institutes and scientific research establishments falling outside their jurisdiction.
- (6) Both Parties shall facilitate the invitation of individual scientists from one country to participate in national scientific colloquia, conferences and congresses in the other country and shall inform each other in good time of such events.
- (7) Both Parties shall facilitate visits by scholars who are invited by the Royal Society, the British Academy, the British Council or British universities on the one hand or by the Academy of Sciences, the All Union Society "Znaniye" or other appropriate Soviet organisations on the other hand to undertake research or to become acquainted with scientific work in the other country.
- (8) Both Parties shall encourage the establishment and development of scientific co-operation and direct contacts between their institutions and scientists and shall promote the exchanges of scientific publications and information.

Article III. EXCHANGES OF SPECIALISTS IN FIELDS OTHER THAN THE NATURAL SCIENCES

(1) Both Parties shall encourage and facilitate mutually agreed working visits to their respective countries by specialists active in branches of learning other than the natural sciences and including writers, journalists, librarians, archivists and specialists in the humanities, the social sciences, geography, archaeology, town planning, architecture and publishing. The British Council, the British Academy and other appropriate British organisations on the one hand and appropriate Soviet organisations on the other shall co-ordinate arrangements for these visits.

- (2) During the period of the Agreement the following visits and exchanges shall be carried out on the basis that the receiving side pays the expenses of the visitors during their stay in its country and the sending side pays their return fares:
- (a) In each year of the Agreement, exchanges of up to three specialists in the humanities and social sciences, for periods of not less than two weeks for a total of up to six man-weeks, the arrangements to be effected between the British Council on the one hand and the Soviet Academy of Sciences, the All Union Society "Znaniye" and other appropriate organisations on the other;
- (b) In each year of the Agreement exchanges of up to three specialists in the field of town planning, architecture and civil engineering for a total of up to six manweeks, the arrangements to be effected between the British Council on the one hand and the State Committee for Civil Construction and Architecture under the Gosstroi of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and other appropriate organisations within their competence on the other hand;
- (c) An exchange of delegations of up to three architects for a period of up to ten days, for the purpose of acquainting themselves with architectural and constructional practice, and, subject to mutual agreement, giving lectures, and exchanging exhibitions, the arrangements to be effected between the British Council, in consultation with the Royal Institute of British Architects, and the Union of Architects of the USSR;
- (d) In each year of the Agreement there shall be an exchange of delegations of up to three persons for a total of up to six man-weeks for the purpose of participating in national literary seminars and literary discussions; and an exchange of one creative writer for a period of up to one month, the arrangements to be effected between the British Council and other appropriate organisations on the one hand and the Union of Writers of the USSR on the other hand;
- (e) In each year of the Agreement up to ten citizens of each country may visit the other country on the invitation of the receiving side and with the consent of the sending side to meet people in professions similar to their own. On the British side the invitations will be issued by the British Council.

Article IV. EXCHANGES IN THE FIELDS OF AGRICULTURE, OCEANOGRAPHY AND FISHERIES

(1) Agriculture

- (a) In each year of the Agreement, there shall be an exchange of up to four specialists or of three delegations comprising in all a total of up to six specialists in agriculture and allied fields for a total of up to twelve man-weeks. The exchange shall be carried out on the basis that the receving side pays the expenses of the visitors during their stay in its country and the sending side pays the return fares. The arrangements for the exchange shall be effected in the United Kingdom by the British Council in conjunction with appropriate British organisations and government departments and in the Soviet Union by the Ministry of Agriculture of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.
- (b) In addition, both Parties shall facilitate visits, to be paid for by the sending side, of specialists in agriculture and allied fields.
- (c) The British Council in conjunction with appropriate British organisations and government departments on the one hand and the Ministry of Agriculture of the

Union of Soviet Socialist Republics on the other hand will, where possible, facilitate visits to other organisations outside their jurisdiction.

- (2) Oceanography and fisheries
- (a) Both Parties shall encourage collaboration between appropriate British and Soviet Ministries, institutions and specialists and shall facilitate joint scientific research on problems of mutual interest.
- (b) During each year of the Agreement, there shall be an exchange of one fisheries specialist from each side for a period of up to three weeks. The exchange shall be carried out on the basis that the receiving side pays the expenses of the visitor during his stay in its country and the sending side pays the return fares. The arrangements for the exchange shall be effected between the British Council and other appropriate organisations in the United Kingdom on the one hand and the Ministry of Fisheries of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics on the other.

Article V. Exchanges in the field of higher and specialised secondary education

- (1) Visits and exchanges in the field of higher education shall be carried out with the receiving side paying the expenses of visitors during their stay in its country and the sending side paying their return fares except in respect of paragraphs (5) and (6) of this Article.
- (2) During each year of the Agreement the following exchanges shall take place:
- (a) An exchange of up to ten professors and other senior academic staff from each side between British and Soviet universities and other institutions of higher education for periods of not less than two weeks for a total of up to twenty manweeks to establish scholarly contacts or to give lectures.
- (b) An exchange of professors or other senior academic staff, of up to three people from each side, between Soviet and British universities and other institutions of higher education for periods of not less than two months, for a total of up to ten man-months, for the purpose of giving courses of lectures in the fields of the humanities and social sciences, natural and technical sciences, language, literature, linguistics and education.
- (c) An exchange of up to twenty lectors for one academic year of ten months to assist in the teaching of the Russian and English languages and literatures in institutions of higher education of the United Kingdom and of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics respectively, and to conduct practical classes with undergraduates.
- (d) An exchange of up to thirty young scientific workers and postgraduate students from the British side and up to forty-five from the Soviet side for scientific training and study in the humanities, social, natural, technical and agricultural sciences and pedagogics, either for one academic year of ten months or for periods of from two to ten months, for a total period not exceeding two hundred and twelve man-months on the British side and three hundred and sixty man-months on the Soviet side: including students from each side in various fields of the arts for training in appropriate cultural institutions and educational establishments.
- (e) Exchanges of students and teachers on language courses which shall be organised as follows. The British side shall send to the Soviet Union for the purpose

of improving their knowledge of Russian two groups of forty-eight undergraduates for periods of three months each and one group of thirty-eight undergraduates for ten months. The quota on the British side shall be six hundred and sixty-eight manmonths. The Soviet side shall send to the United Kingdom for the purpose of improving their knowledge of English three groups of thirty-two undergraduates and young teachers of English language for periods of three months each, two groups of twenty-four English language teachers for four months each and one group of forty teachers of English from institutions of higher education for one month. The quota on the Soviet side shall be five hundred and twenty man-months. In addition, each side may send teachers at its own expense to make short visits to its groups, up to a maximum of three visits, or for a total of six man-weeks.

- (3) During the period of the Agreement both Parties shall exchange delegations of up to three persons for a total of up to twelve man-weeks for the purpose of acquainting themselves with aspects of higher education. The subjects, participants and duration of stay of each of those delegations shall be agreed between the competent organisations of both Parties.
- (4) During each year of the Agreement there shall be an exchange on a reciprocal basis of up to twenty teachers from universities and other institutions of higher education for visits of not less than one month up to a total of thirty man-months for the purpose of research work in the humanities, social, natural, technological and agricultural sciences.
- (5) Each Party shall consider favourably proposals by the other for visits (generally not to exceed fifteen days) to be paid for by the sending side of specialists engaged in higher education who wish to become acquainted with the education and training of scientists and technologists and other aspects of higher education in the receiving country.
- (6) Both Parties shall encourage the continuation of existing and the establishment of new direct contacts and relations between universities, other institutions of higher education and specialists engaged in higher education and science, including those promoted through the Academic Links Scheme of the British Council and through schemes promoted by the Ministry of Higher and Specialised Secondary Education of the USSR. They shall facilitate exchanges between universities and other institutions of higher education of professors, research workers and other scholars for the purpose of becoming mutually acquainted with institutions of higher education, giving lectures and exchanging experience in their studies and research. They shall also facilitate exchanges of undergraduates for the purpose of language study, and exploratory visits by organisers of such exchanges.
- (7) The British Council on the one hand and the Ministry of Higher and Specialised Secondary Education of the USSR on the other shall, where possible, facilitate visits to other organisations falling outside their jurisdiction.
- (8) Both Parties shall encourage wider study of the languages and literatures of their respective countries as an important means of communication between the peoples of both countries, of mutual acquaintance with the culture of each country and of strengthening co-operation.

To this end:

(a) Both Parties shall co-operate in the organisation of seminars in the field of English language and literature and Russian language and literature, the details to

- be determined by mutual agreement between appropriate organisations on both sides;
- (b) Both Parties shall facilitate the exchange of language and literature specialists to give lectures and hold seminars and shall also encourage the joint preparation of language textbooks and other teaching materials by those concerned;
- (c) In addition to exchanges of students for the purpose of language study already provided for in other Articles of this Agreement, and having regard to the Protocol between the Russian Language Undergraduate Study Committee and the Pushkin Institute, both Parties shall facilitate the placing of students on other courses for the study of the English and Russian languages, the sending side bearing the expenses;
- (d) Both Parties shall facilitate the invitation of individual scholars and language teaching specialists to participate in national conferences and shall inform each other in good time of such events.
- (9) Both Parties shall continue to consider the possibility of holding consultation on matters concerning the equivalence of educational documents, academic degrees and titles.

Article VI. EXCHANGES IN THE FIELD OF PRIMARY, SECONDARY, VOCATIONAL AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

- (1) Exchanges in the field of primary, secondary, vocational and technical education shall be carried out with the receiving side paying the expenses of visitors during their stay in its country and the sending side paying their return fares except in respect of visits under paragraphs (6) and (11) of this Article.
- (2) During each year of the Agreement the following exchanges shall take place:
- (a) An exchange of two groups, of up to twenty and twenty-five from each side, of students at teacher-training colleges and departments of education for thirty days each for the purpose of improving their knowledge of the Russian and English languages respectively and of becoming acquainted with the life and culture of the other country; recently qualified teachers may in some cases be included.
- (b) An exchange in the form of specially organised courses for teachers of the Russian language from British schools and higher education institutions and of teachers of the English language from Soviet schools and pedagogical institutes in order to improve their knowledge of the language and methods of instruction and to enable them to become acquainted with the life and culture of the other country. The exchange shall consist of up to twenty-five persons from the British side for a period of thirty-five days and of up to thirty-five persons from the Soviet side for a period of twenty-five days.
- (3) During the period of the Agreement there shall be an exchange of delegations of up to four specialists in the fields of primary or secondary education on agreed themes for periods of two weeks.
- (4) In each year of the Agreement there shall be an exchange on a reciprocal basis of up to four specialists in the pedagogical field for up to two months each for the purpose of research on mutually agreed subjects.

- (5) Both Parties shall develop exchanges of educational, pedagogical and methodological literature, films and other materials and shall facilitate the exchange of specialists in, and the holding of seminars on, agreed subjects, including computer technology in education, and the contents of secondary school textbooks.
- (6) Both Parties shall encourage the establishment of direct contacts and relations between educational institutions of the two countries, and particularly between institutions of vocational, technical and higher education, and the exchange of students for the purpose of language study, including preliminary visits designed to establish such contacts and exchanges. They shall also facilitate exchanges of teaching staff and scholars for the purpose of becoming mutually acquainted with the educational systems of each country and with their respective languages and of exchanging experience in their studies, research and practical work.
- (7) Both Parties shall encourage the exchange of up to three teachers of the Russian and English languages to conduct practical classes in secondary schools in the USSR and the United Kingdom for periods of up to three months.
- (8) Both Parties shall facilitate exchanges of groups of secondary school pupils arranged through non-governmental organisations of both countries.
- (9) In each year of the Agreement there shall be an exchange of up to three teachers of the Russian and English languages for one academic year. In the United Kingdom, the Soviet teachers will work in schools in which Russian is taught, and in the Soviet Union the British teachers will teach English at pedagogical institutes. On the British side the exchange will be organised by the Central Bureau for Educational Visits and Exchanges and on the Soviet side by the Ministry of General Education of the USSR.
- (10) In each year of the Agreement there shall be an exchange of two specialists for up to two weeks for the purpose of acquainting themselves with aspects of the organisation of vocational and technical education and the training of qualified workers in various branches of industry and agriculture. Details of the exchanges and subjects of specialisation will be agreed between the competent organisations of both sides.
- (11) Each side shall consider favourably proposals by the other side for visits, to be paid for by the sending side, of specialists in the field of primary, secondary, vocational and technical education.

Article VII. EXCHANGES IN THE FIELD OF MEDICINE

- (1) Both Parties shall facilitate exchanges of delegations and individual specialists in the field of medicine and allied fields in accordance with existing agreements. The arrangements for such visits shall be effected in the United Kingdom by the British Council in conjunction with appropriate British organisations and government departments and in the Soviet Union by the Ministry of Health of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and other appropriate organisations.
- (2) Each Party shall consider favourably proposals by the other for further visits of specialists in medicine.
- (3) Both Parties agree to encourage exchanges of books, publications, periodicals and other documentary material in the medical field between libraries and other appropriate institutions of the two countries.

Article VIII. EXCHANGES IN THE FIELD OF THE ARTS

- (1) Both Parties shall facilitate performances and tours from one country to the other by theatre, opera, ballet, dance and circus companies and groups, orchestras, groups of musicians, conductors and soloists. These performances and tours shall take place provided that mutually agreed contracts are concluded between the financially responsible organisations or impresarios on the British side and the concert organisations on the Soviet side. Both Parties will do all within their power to ensure maximum favourable conditions for performances and tours by visiting artists or companies. Both Parties expressed interest in arranging festivals devoted to the arts of each other's country, and agreed to facilitate the organisation of such festivals.
- (2) Each Party shall inform the other of important forthcoming events and shall encourage the organisers to extend invitations for individual artists and performing groups (both amateur and professional) and fine arts institutions to participate in national and international congresses, festivals and other manifestations of a cultural and artistic nature.
- (3) Both Parties shall facilitate the setting up and staging of exhibitions about aspects of art and culture in their countries on mutually agreed conditions.
- (4) In each year of the Agreement there shall be an exchange of up to six specialists in the field of the arts, art history, music, including composers, and library work for a total of up to twelve man-weeks. The exchange shall be carried out on the basis that the receiving side pays the expenses of the visitor during his stay in its country and the sending side pays the return fares. The arrangements for the exchange will be effected between the British Council on the one hand and the Ministry of Culture and appropriate Unions of creative workers of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics on the other.
- (5) Both Parties shall encourage the staging in theatres in their own country of works by authors and composers from the other country, and also exchanges of directors, artists and conductors to assist in the staging of those works on terms to be agreed separately.
- (6) Provision for the exchange of students in the fields of the arts is made under Article V(2)(d) of this Agreement.
- (7) Both Parties shall encourage the development of direct contacts and cooperation between museums, galleries and libraries of both countries and will facilitate exchanges of exhibitions and the provision of individual items for exhibitions. Both Parties shall facilitate to the fullest extent possible the implementation of these exchanges and express confidence that such exchanges will be mutually beneficial.
- (8) Both Parties shall encourage and facilitate mutually agreed visits to their respective countries by literary, theatre and music critics, composers, choreographers and others connected with the performing arts, persons connected with the fine arts, museum curators and librarians.
- (9) Both Parties shall facilitate the exchanges of publications, materials and information in the fields of culture and the arts.
- (10) The preceding paragraphs of this Article do not preclude other exchanges, including exhibitions and colloquia, in the performing and fine arts which, with a view to a better mutual knowledge of the cultural life of the two

countries, may be agreed directly between appropriate British and Soviet authorities or commercial and other organisations.

Article IX. CINEMA, TELEVISION AND RADIO

Both Parties, recognising the contribution which the cinema, television and radio have made and can make to mutual understanding have agreed:

(1) Cinema

- (a) To work for the further extension of film exchanges on a commercial and cultural basis. To this end they shall encourage the appropriate organisations of their film industries to consider together means of expanding purchases of films likely to interest audiences in their respective countries and of securing the most effective distribution of such films;
- (b) To encourage the holding of premieres and retrospectives in the United Kingdom of Soviet films and in the Soviet Union of British films taking into consideration that the expansion of purchases of films would increase the possibilities of holding such events;
- (c) To encourage the exchange of film weeks and similar occasions, supported by delegations;
- (d) To facilitate contacts between cinema organisations of both countries and to encourage the exchange of workers and specialists in the field of film production and film technique, as well as joint film production and the provision of professional services;
- (e) To encourage participation in international film festivals taking place in each other's countries.
- (2) Television and radio: To encourage direct co-operation between the television and radio services of the two countries as well as the interchange of television and radio programmes and visits by individuals and delegations from the broadcasting profession.

Article X. Co-operation in the fields of information, publishing, copyright, archives and exhibitions

- (1) Both Parties agree to encourage presentations and exchanges of books, publications, periodicals, audio-visual and other documentary material of an academic, scientific, technical and cultural nature between libraries and other appropriate institutions of the two countries.
- (2) Both Parties shall encourage co-operation in the field of publishing and the exchange of exhibitions of books in accordance with the existing protocols between the Publishers Association of Great Britain and the British Council and the State Committee of the USSR on Publishing, Polygraphy and the Book Trade, and such other protocols as exist or may be concluded between the competent bodies in the two countries.
- (3) Both Parties shall encourage the further development of co-operation between the competent organisations and publishing houses in their countries with a view to ensuring the mutual protection of copyright and a wider knowledge of the works of science, literature and art by British and Soviet authors and artists in the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and the United Kingdom respectively.

(4) Both Parties shall encourage the further development of contacts between archives institutions in the United Kingdom and the USSR in accordance with the existing Protocol between the British Academic Committee for Liaison with Soviet Archives (BALSA) and the State Archives Authority (GAU) of the USSR and such other protocols as may be concluded between the competent bodies in the two countries.

Article XI. Exchanges between non-governmental organisations and between young people

- (1) Attaching great importance to their peoples becoming acquainted with one another's life and activity and to their mutual understanding, both Parties shall encourage contacts between non-governmental bodies, including trade union, youth and student and women's organisations of the United Kingdom and of the Soviet Union, particularly those concerned with promoting cultural and friendly relations between citizens and peoples of the two countries, and shall facilitate the development of links between British and Soviet towns.
- (2) Both Parties shall facilitate arrangements for exchanges of visits on a mutually acceptable basis by groups of young people which provide opportunities for meeting the young people of the receiving country and for learning about their work, studies and social life. The details of these exchanges, as in past years, shall be discussed directly between the national youth and student organisations of the United Kingdom and the youth and student organisations of the Soviet Union.

Article XII. SPORT

Both Parties shall encourage the further development and extension of contacts, co-operation and exchanges in the field of physical culture and sport between organisations of the two countries, in accordance with existing agreements.

Article XIII. TOURISM

Both Parties shall promote the development of tourism between the two countries by encouraging as many tourists as possible to visit their respective countries and to travel and to make contacts in order fully to acquaint themselves with the life, work and culture of the two peoples.

Article XIV. ENTRY INTO FORCE

The present Agreement shall enter into force on 1 April 1985 and remain in force until 31 March 1987. Each year of the Agreement shall last from 1 April to 31 March.

In witness whereof the undersigned, being duly authorised thereto by their respective Governments, have signed this Agreement.

DONE in duplicate at Moscow this 25th day of March 1985 in the English and Russian languages, both texts being equally authoritative.

For the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland:

IAIN SUTHERLAND

For the Government of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics:

A. KOVALEV

AGREED MINUTE

Both Parties have agreed that the exchanges under the Agreement between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics on Relations in the Scientific, Educational and Cultural Fields for 1985-87, signed today, will be conducted in accordance with the following administrative and financial conditions:

I. General conditions

- (1) Each year of the Agreement will last from 1 April to 31 March.
- (2) (a) Applications concerning individual visits will be forwarded to the receiving side not later than three months before the proposed starting date of the visit. The sending side will provide information about the persons recommended for visits, except for visits governed by Section V in this Agreed Minute, on the agreed proposal form, which will give full details about the proposed subject of study and programme to be followed.
- (b) The receiving side will reply to the proposal not later than two months after the receipt of the proposal. Acceptance will be communicated in writing. Where access to specific archives has been requested the letter of acceptance will include confirmation for access to these archives, so that access will be granted without delay.
- (c) When the applicant has been accepted, the sending side will notify the receiving side of the date of arrival of the visitor if possible three weeks but not later than two weeks in advance, except where stated otherwise in this Agreed Minute.
- (3) Both Parties will endeavour to issue visas in good time for travel on the agreed dates, provided that full information regarding intended individual participants is received not later than three months before the proposed dates of travel and regarding group applications not later than one month before.
- (4) The receiving side will normally meet visitors, groups and other participants at the usual arrival points in its country (i.e. at the airport, port or station).
- (5) The receiving side will endeavour to provide exchange visitors with help and assistance during their stay.
- (6) Subsistence allowances and stipends for participants in exchanges under this Agreement will not be subject to tax.
- (7) Both sides will review rates of subsistence and of stipends from time to time.

II. Exchanges under Articles II(1) and II(3)

The exchanges under Article II(1) will take place on the basis of the administrative and financial conditions specified in the Agreement between the Royal Society of London and the Academy of Sciences of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.

The exchanges under Article II(3) will take place on the basis of the administrative and financial conditions specified in the Agreement between the British Academy and the Academy of Sciences of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.

III. Short visits

Articles III(2), IV(1)(a), IV(2)(b), V(2)(a), V(3), VI(3), VI(10), VIII(1), VIII(4), IX(1)(c), X(4)

The receiving side will pay the expenses of participants in the above exchanges during their stay in its country, including the cost of accommodation. They will be accommodated in single rooms, with bathroom, in good-class hotels, and will be provided additionally with an allowance at the rate prevailing in the organisation in the receiving country responsible for arranging the exchange.

Part of the allowance will be provided immediately on arrival in the receiving country.

The receiving side will endeavour to arrange programmes in accordance with the wishes of the visitors which correspond to the aims of the visit.

The receiving side will pay the cost of internal travel in connection with the approved programme and will provide and pay for interpreters when needed.

Both sides will also organise some free cultural entertainment for the visitors.

IV. Educational exchanges

(1) Articles V and VI

Conditions for visits and exchanges conducted through direct contacts between universities and other educational institutions under Articles V(6), VI(6), VI(7), VI(8) and VI(9) will be determined on a mutually agreed basis by the participating educational establishments.

(2) Article V(2)(c)

Outline details of the posts will be forwarded to the sending side not later than 31 March. Full details of each teacher participating in the exchanges under Article V(2)(c) will be submitted to the receiving side on the agreed proposals form not later than 30 April. The receiving side will within two months inform the sending side of its decision regarding the acceptance and placing of the teachers, giving sympathetic consideration to the wishes of the applicant. British teachers will take up their posts not later than 5 September and Soviet teachers will take up their posts not later than 1 October. The sending side will confirm the teachers' exact date of arrival if possible four but not later than three weeks in advance and will pay their return fare to the destination in the receiving country. The Soviet side will provide free transit accommodation in Moscow in university hostels or hotels for up to 48 hours. The British side will provide in London for up to 48 hours either free accommodation in university hostels or an additional allowance towards hotel costs. Teachers will be paid monthly the following stipend:

In the United Kingdom	£400
In the USSR	400 Rbs

An advance of the salary will be paid immediately on arrival in the receiving country. Teacher's accommodation will be offered by the host institute at reasonable cost. Accommodation charges will be met by the teachers individually.

The sending side will inform the receiving side not later than one month in advance if any of the teachers wish to be accompanied by their spouses and families and the receiving side will assist them in finding accommodation at their expense.

With the agreement of the receiving institution, the receiving side will favourably consider requests from teachers to make journeys at their own expense in local currency during their stay in the country for cultural and leisure purposes and will assist them in finding accommodation.

(3) Article V(2)(d)

The upper age limit for nominations under this Article will be 35 years at the time of nomination.

Both sides will submit applications on the agreed proposal form by 1 March. These will include full information about each applicant, including details of the proposed work plan, places, institutions and archives to be visited and wherever possible, the names of specialists in his field of interests whom he wishes to consult.

The receiving side will within three months inform the sending side in writing of its decision concerning the acceptance of each applicant, indicating a convenient date for his arrival and the names of universities or other institutes at which he will be received and also those archives named in the application to which the applicant may have access. Both sides will as far as possible satisfy requests for access to additional archives made after the participants' arrival in the receiving country and which are concerned with additions to their work programme and are approved by their supervisors. The sending side will confirm not later than one month after receiving the notification of acceptance of each applicant that he can take up the placing offered. The sending side will notify the receiving side of the exchange participants' date of arrival not less than three weeks in advance and will pay their return fares to the destination in the receiving country.

The Soviet side will provide free transit accommodation in Moscow in University hostels or in hotels and the British side will provide in London either free hostel accommodation for participants in the initial language course or for later arrivals an additional allowance towards the cost of transit accommodation in hotels. Young scientific research workers and postgraduates participating in these exchanges will receive monthly stipends at prevailing rates. These will be not less than:

In the United Kingdom	£320
In the USSR	230 Rbs

The Soviet side will provide British participants in exchanges under this Article with free accommodation.

Part of the stipend will be paid immediately on arrival in the receiving country. In addition they will receive grants for the purchase of books related to their studies:

In the United Kingdom	£13.00 a month
In the USSR	12 Rbs a month

Both sides will enable participants to undertake study visits which have been recommended by their academic supervisors and will arrange accommodation. Payment for travel and an accommodation allowance will be made by the receiving side. With the agreement of the receiving institutions, the receiving side will favourably consider requests from participants to make journeys at their own expense during their stay in the country for cultural and leisure purposes and will assist them in finding accommodation.

Both sides will assist those exchange participants accompanied or visited by their spouses to find accommodation for them at their own expense.

(4) Articles V(2)(b), V(4) and VI(4)

Applications for visits under these exchanges will include full information about each applicant, including details of the proposed work plan or the type of teaching he wishes to undertake, places, institutions and archives to be visited and wherever possible, the names of specialists in his field of interest whom he wishes to consult.

The receiving side will, normally within two months, inform the sending side in writing of its decision concerning the acceptance of each applicant indicating a convenient date for his arrival and the names of universities or other institutes at which he will be received and also those archives named in the application to which the applicant may have access. Both sides will as far as possible satisfy requests for access to additional archives made after the participants' arrival in the receiving country and which are concerned with additions to their work programme and are approved by their supervisors.

Both sides will enable participants to make study visits which have been approved by their academic supervisors. Payment for travel and an accommodation allowance will be made by the receiving side.

Participants in these exchanges will be accommodated in a single room in university accommodation or in a single room with a shower in a good hotel at the expense of the receiving side (including the cost of breakfast in the United Kingdom) and will be provided with a stipend at the following rates:

In the United Kingdom	£240 per month
In the USSR	300 Rbs per month

Part of the stipend will be paid immediately on arrival in the receiving country. Both sides will assist visitors accompanied by their spouses to find accommodation for them at their own expense.

V. Group visits

(1) Article V(2)(e)

The receiving side will inform the sending side of the dates and location of each course at least 4 months in advance of the date of commencement. Nominations for these exchanges will be made on a group basis 3 months in advance and will include the full name of each participant, age and home institute. The receiving side will, in informing the sending side of its decision concerning the acceptance of each group, indicate a convenient arrival date and the name of the university or institute at which it will be received. The sending side will notify the receiving side of the groups' date of arrival not less than four weeks in advance and will pay return fares to the capital of the receiving country. The Soviet side will provide free transit accommodation in Moscow and the British side will provide free transit accommodation in London at both ends of the courses, as necessary, for up to 48 hours. Arrangements, including payment, for onward travel will be the responsibility of the receiving side.

British undergraduates participating in these exchanges will receive stipends at not less than the following rates:

3-month course	Rbs 175 per month
10-month course	Rbs 175 per month

Soviet undergraduates and teachers participating in these exchanges will receive allowances at not less than the following rates:

1-month course	${\pm}100$ for the course
3-month course	£245 per month
4-month course	£250 for the course

In all cases part of the allowance will be paid immediately on arrival in the receiving country. The balance will be paid immediately on arrival at the host institute and thereafter on the due date, on a monthly basis, in advance.

Places may not be carried forward from one course to another.

Accommodation during the courses, excluding food, will be provided free of charge by the Soviet side. Accommodation during the courses including food will be provided free of charge by the British side except in the case of the 3-month courses where all accommodation and food charges must be met by each individual participant from the stipend. The British side will assist participants in the 3-month courses in finding accommodation at reasonable cost in cases where this cannot be provided in university hostels.

Both sides will enable participants in the exchanges to undertake educational and cultural visits and will provide a programme of such visits locally, free of charge. The Soviet side will provide, free of charge and including overnight accommodation, where necessary, additional visits totalling not less than 6 days for each 3-month group and visits totalling not less than 18 days for each 10-month group, the trips being to towns or places of cultural interest at least 100 kilometres from the town in which the course is being held and including a visit to the capital city where applicable. The British side will provide, free of charge and including overnight accommodation, where necessary, additional visits totalling not less than 6 days for each 3-month group, visits totalling not less than 7 days for each 4-month group and at least 2 day-trips for each 1-month group, the trips being to towns or places of cultural interest at least 40 miles from the town in which the course is being held and including a visit to the capital city where applicable. Additionally, and with the agreement of the receiving institute, the receiving side will favourably consider requests from participants in the exchanges to make journeys at their own expense in the currency of the receiving country during their stay in the country, for cultural and leisure purposes, and will assist them in making arrangements.

Tuition during all courses will be not less than 16 hours a week. Both sides will provide opportunity for participants in the exchanges to undertake additional work relevant to their studies with the approval of their course director in the receiving country. British students on the 10-month course will be allowed a break in January of 2 weeks during which they may, at their own expense, return to Britain if they wish.

Participants in exchanges under this Article may not be accompanied by spouses or families.

(2) Article VI(2)(a)

Conditions for British groups visiting the USSR will be agreed by correspondence between the competent organisations of both sides before the end of December each year.

The British side will arrange free accommodation with full board for participants coming to Britain under this exchange and will provide in addition an allowance of £2.50 per day. Travel in connection with the agreed programme will be at the expense of the receiving side. The sending side will confirm the dates of arrival if possible three but not later than two weeks in advance and will pay their return fares to London.

(4) *Article VI*(2)(b)

Participants in this exchange will be provided with free accommodation, a subsistence allowance of 230 Roubles per month including pocket money by the Soviet side and with free accommodation with full board and with pocket money at the rate of £3 per day by the British side. Part of the subsistence or pocket money will be paid immediately on arrival in the receiving country. A programme of cultural and educational visits will be provided at the expense of the receiving side.

[VI.] MISCELLANEOUS

Articles V(8)(a), VI(5) and VIII(10)

Conditions for seminars and colloquia arranged under these and under any other items of the Agreement will be determined by mutual agreement between the appropriate organisation on each side in good time and will be communicated in writing not later than one month before the intended starting date.

SIGNED in duplicate in Moscow this 25 March 1985 in the English and Russian languages, both texts being equally authentic.

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