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AGREEMENT' ON SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL COOPERATION BETWEEN THE HELLENIC REPUBLIC AND THE CZECHOSLOVAK SOCIALIST REPUBLIC

The Government of the Hellenic Republic and the Government of the Czechoslovak Socialist Republic:

Determined to expand and to further mutual cooperation between the two countries in scientific and technological fields,

In conformity with the Final Act of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe,² and in the spirit of agreements contained therein,

Being aware of mutual benefits arising from such cooperation and of the contribution that the cooperation in the said fields is bound to strengthen all-round relations between the two countries, have resolved to conclude the following Agreement:

- Article 1. The Scientific and Technological Cooperation between the two countries will include, according to the interest and the existing capabilities on both sides, the following elements:
 - a) Exchange of information in various forms related to:
- achievements in the applied science[s]
- technical methods
- patents
- management of research activities
 - b) Exchange of specialists and experts for the purpose of:
- exchanging scientific and technical information
- providing specialised training
- elaborating and implementing projects of mutual interest in order to promote R and D as well as innovation
- c) Technical assistance and support to parties interested in the transfer of technology.
- d) Planning of scientific and technological symposia and lectures on subjects and problems of mutual interest.
- Article 2. a) Competent state authorities, responsible for the administration and implementation of this Agreement, are on behalf of the Hellenic Republic, the Ministry of Research and Technology, and on behalf of the Czechoslovak Socialist Republic, the State Commission for Science Technology and Investments.

¹ Came into force on 11 May 1987, i.e., the day of the exchange of notes regarding its approval, in accordance with article 8.

² International Legal Materials, vol. 14 (1975), p. 1292 (American Society of International Law).

- b) The scientific and technical cooperation in individual fields shall be subject to implementary arrangements agreed upon by the respective organisations and institutions of both countries, with the consent of a Mixed Commission mentioned in Article 3. These arrangements shall regulate the content and form of cooperation, its duration, the share of participation of each Party in such cooperation, the way of covering relevant expenses, and the participation of each Party in the results of such cooperation.
- c) The establishment of direct relations between respective organizations and institutions of both sides should be encouraged by both Parties through the Mixed Commission to be established according to Article 3.
- Article 3. A mixed Hellenic-Czechoslovak Commission for Scientific and Technological Cooperation, hereinafter referred to as the "Mixed Commission", is hereby established.
- a) The function of the Mixed Commission is to plan and supervise the implementation of the present Agreement. All decisions proposals and evaluation outcomes discussed during the meetings of the Mixed Commission will be included in the Official Minutes, which will be signed by the chairpeople of both delegations. The Mixed Commission may establish work groups to study special subjects as essential for the drafting of the programmes of cooperation.
 - b) The Mixed Commission shall especially:
- determine the fields in which the scientific and technical cooperation shall develop;
- consider, on the basis of experience, and determine other forms of scientific and technical cooperation;
- recommend measures which are to ensure the execution in practice of the scientific and technical cooperation;
- consider questions related to the implementation of arrangements agreed upon by respective organisations and institutions of both States.
- c) The Mixed Commission shall convene every 2 years, or whenever such a need arises provided there is mutual agreement, alternatively in Greece and Czechoslovakia.
- Article 4. a) The respective organisations and institutions of the two countries which have direct contacts may draw up and submit proposals for joint projects as described in Article 6, which may include among others the exchange of scientific and technological information and publications.
- b) The exchange of specialists and experts for the purposes defined in Article 1 will be planned and implemented in accordance to the needs of each Party and the capabilities of the other Party to respond, but will not be limited to reciprocal exchanges of experts of the same specialisation.
- c) The granting of technical assistance by either Party will be pursued through the elaboration of a relevant programme by the Mixed Commission. This programme will refer to the areas in which the one Party has the need and the other Party the capability to assist, and it will be applied on a reciprocity basis.

Likewise, the two Parties undertake to support contacts between interested organisations and institutions in either country and the promotion of special

arrangements for the transfer of technology in cases that these are considered relevant and beneficial to both Parties.

- d) Both Parties are obliged not to release in any form to a third party scientific and other information which is acquired in any way in the framework of this Agreement, without first having the consent of the other Party.
- Article 5. a) Financial and other terms and conditions for the exchange of specialists and experts and the granting of technical assistance within the present Agreement shall be based on the principle of reciprocity.

The remaining details shall be agreed upon by the Mixed Commission and, after having been included in the Mixed Commission's minutes, they shall be binding for both Parties.

- b) Both Parties, in conformity with the legal regulations of their own countries, shall render all necessary support and assistance to persons carrying out the mutual scientific and technical cooperation within the framework of the present Agreement.
- Article 6. Both Parties will exchange proposals, related to the annual exchange of specialists and experts, the technical assistance and the planning of joint projects of applied research, at least one month prior to the session of the Mixed Commission. Such proposals shall define the field of cooperation as well as the total man-days of specialists and experts to be exchanged during the following two years.

The proposals presented at the Mixed Commission shall focus on the following items:

- a) the theme and research area;
- b) the objectives of the project;
- c) the duration of the project;
- d) the institutions which will undertake the research on each side and
- e) other technical and procedural details of the project.

For the realisation of the visits agreed upon by the Mixed Commission the following data regarding each proposed visitor will be sent to the State authority of the host country at least one month prior to the date of the visitor's scheduled arrival: full name, position, place of occupation, specialisation, foreign languages, knowledge, specific field of cooperation, objectives of the study visit, desired contacts and duration of stay.

Article 7. The expenses for the exchanges of specialists and experts will be met as follows:

- the sending country shall cover the travel expenses of the specialists between the two capitals,
- the host country shall cover the per diem expenses of the visitors (hotel accommodation), as well as travel expenses within the host country associated with the implementation of the programme and any expenses incurred for urgent medical care,
- the host country shall cover subsistence allowance, according to the regulations of each country following the recommendation of the Mixed Commission.

Article 8. The present Agreement is subject to approval in accordance with the legal regulations of both Parties and it shall come into force on the day of the exchange of notes regarding such approval.

The present Agreement is concluded for the period of five years and shall be continuously prolonged for the period of the subsequent five years, unless one of the Parties gives a written notice of denunciation six months prior to the termination of its validity.

Done at Prague on July 4, 1984 in two originals in the English language, both of which are equally authentic.

On behalf of the Government of the Hellenic Republic:

[Signed]

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