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(UNITED NATIONS INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT
ORGANIZATION)**

and

**SCIENTIFIC, TECHNICAL AND RESEARCH
COMMISSION OF THE ORGANIZATION
OF AFRICAN UNITY**

**Note of Understanding relating to co-operation. Signed at
Vienna on 15 June 1978**

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**ORGANISATION DES NATIONS UNIES
(ORGANISATION DES NATIONS UNIES
POUR LE DÉVELOPPEMENT INDUSTRIEL)**

et

**COMMISSION SCIENTIFIQUE, TECHNIQUE ET
DE LA RECHERCHE DE L'ORGANISATION
DE L'UNITÉ AFRICAINE**

**Note d'accord relative à la coopération. Signée à Vienne
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NOTE OF UNDERSTANDING¹ BETWEEN THE SCIENTIFIC, TECHNICAL AND RESEARCH COMMISSION—ORGANIZATION OF AFRICAN UNITY AND THE UNITED NATIONS INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION

Following the new dimensions for international industrial co-operation opened up by the Lima Declaration and Plan of Action² and Resolution (CM/RES.569 (XXIX)) adopted by the OAU Council of Ministers at its 29th Regular Session held in Libreville, Gabon, the Scientific, Technical and Research Commission—Organization of African Unity, referred to hereafter as OAU/STRC, and the United Nations Industrial Development Organization referred to as UNIDO agree to intensify their co-operative relations.

1. The Executive Secretary of the OAU/STRC and the Executive Director of UNIDO agree to harmonize their efforts and co-operate fully for the development of industrial programmes in the region. To this effect, the two organizations will consult with each other regularly on matters of common interest and maintain close contacts on those activities which aim at realizing the objectives of both organizations.

2. The Executive Secretary of the OAU/STRC and the Executive Director of UNIDO, recognizing the mutual interest of the two organizations in the areas of technological and industrial development, particularly as regards the development and transfer of appropriate technologies, the programme of global and regional consultation in industrial sectors and industrial and technological information activities agreed to expand the collaboration in the following areas, namely:

1. The formulation and implementation of policies in the industrial and technological fields;
2. The identification of technical solutions in industrial problems through technological and industrial research efforts;
3. Promotion of industrial co-operation among the developing countries on a regional basis;
4. Programmes aimed at evolving uniform policies in matters of quality control procedures;
5. Training programmes in the field of industrial technology, management and administration, with object to upgrade skills and know-how of high-level technical, managerial or administrative African personnel connected with agencies, organizations and institutions dealing with industrial development, industry-university linkage;
6. Development of scientific and applied research in the African countries in various fields of industry including application and use of adequate and precise measuring instruments and systems and the development of suitable mechanisms for the transfer of research results into manufacturing programmes;
7. Programmes and studies on environmental considerations in industrial development in the various industrial sectors in the African countries;

¹ Came into force on 15 June 1978 by signature, in accordance with its provisions.

² *Report of the 2nd General Conference of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization*, ID/CONF.3/31, 9 May 1975.

8. Development of renewable sources of energy as well as programmes aimed at adding more value to fossil fuels through their conversion into chemical products;
9. Development and organization of consultation meetings on Africa with the objective of resolving the major obstacles encountered in resolving industrial development plans;
10. The use of UNIDO's industrial and technological information services for answers to specific inquiries, and particularly those of UNIDO's INTIB, to serve the technology selection process. To co-operate in the development of a network of industrial and technological information systems in African countries.
11. Programmes aimed at enhancing the capabilities of the African countries both at the institutional and enterprise levels in the identification, selection, evaluation and use of appropriate technologies and in the regulation of technology transfer activities at the national or regional levels in such sectors as the iron and steel [and] chemical industries with special emphasis on chemical fertilizers, petrochemical industries, pharmaceutical industries, etc.

It is understood that [the] UNIDO and OAU/STRC programme of co-operation would be implemented in close co-operation and co-ordination with the Association of African Industrial Technology Organizations (AAITO).

Both parties further agree to hold periodic meetings and consultations on [a] regular basis at times and places to be mutually acceptable.

Expenses resulting from the execution of programmes and projects mutually agreed upon shall be the subject of separate arrangements.

This agreement will come into effect on signature by both parties.

DONE in Vienna, the 15th of June, 1978.

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Organization:

[Signed]

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