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and
SENEGAL**

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BASIC AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE FRENCH REPUBLIC AND THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SENEGAL ON THE ASSIGNMENT OF EUROPEAN VOLUNTEERS FOR DEVELOPMENT

The Governments of the French Republic and the Federal Republic of Germany and

The Government of the Republic of Senegal,

Desiring to consolidate the friendly relations existing between the Contracting States and their peoples,

Determined to promote cooperation between the countries of Europe and Africa,

Wishing to foster the friendship and solidarity of European and African youth,

Intent on contributing to their common economic and social development,

Have agreed as follows:

Article 1. (1) The Governments of the French Republic and the Federal Republic of Germany shall undertake, through the assignment of European volunteers for development, to participate in economic and social development operations which meet the priority requirements of the people of the Republic of Senegal and form part of national development policy. Any participation by European volunteers for development shall be undertaken at the express request of the Government of the Republic of Senegal.

(2) For the purposes of this Agreement, volunteers shall be understood to be specialists who have completed their vocational training and wish to work in the territory of the Republic of Senegal without remuneration in order to promote specific projects in Senegal.

Article 2. (1) Each operation under this Agreement shall be the subject of a specific arrangement between its signatories.

(2) The Contracting Parties may entrust specialized agencies or bodies with the execution of this Agreement. These agencies or bodies shall, *inter alia*, if need be, be entitled to make the arrangements referred to in the first paragraph of this article. If one Party wishes to apply this provision, it shall notify the other Parties concerned accordingly.

Article 3. European volunteers for development shall be integrated into a development project under the authority of the Government of the Republic of Senegal. The Governments of the French Republic and the Federal Republic of Germany, or the bodies referred to in article 2, paragraph 2, shall assign European volunteers for development to the Senegalese Government.

¹ Came into force on 12 June 1986 by signature, in accordance with article 16 (2).

Article 4. (1) The Governments of the French Republic and the Federal Republic of Germany, or the bodies referred to in article 2, paragraph 2, shall seek European volunteers for development whose particular areas of competence correspond to the job descriptions of the development projects. They shall also, if need be, give them additional training.

(2) Job descriptions shall be submitted by the Governments of the French Republic and the Federal Republic of Germany to the Government of the Republic of Senegal for comment.

Article 5. (1) European volunteers for development shall be liable in cases of violation of the civil and criminal laws and regulations in force in Senegal.

(2) The Government of the Republic of Senegal shall assume responsibility for compensating damage caused by European volunteers for development in the performance or during the performance of their duties.

(3) The Governments concerned shall supply the Government of the Republic of Senegal with whatever information or other assistance may be required for reaching a friendly settlement of a dispute. Similarly, the Government of the Republic of Senegal shall endeavour to reach a settlement in a spirit of co-operation.

Article 6. The Government of the Republic of Senegal shall exempt European volunteers for development from all direct taxes and similar levies.

Article 7. (1) In cases where the Governments of the French Republic or the Federal Republic of Germany must acquire technical materials and equipment needed for the European volunteers for development to perform their duties, such materials shall be admitted duty-free.

(2) Personal effects, with the exception of food and beverages, belonging to European volunteers for development and their professional materials and equipment shall be admitted free of duties and taxes for a period of six months after the volunteers' arrival in Senegal.

(3) European volunteers for development may import one vehicle temporarily for their personal use, which shall not be transferred subsequently free or against payment without authorization of the Senegalese Government.

Article 8. (1) European volunteers for development shall enjoy full social security coverage. During their residence and on the conclusion of their assignment they shall be covered by the social legislation applicable to them in their countries of origin.

(2) The Government of Senegal, for its part, shall give European volunteers for development assigned to it the same entitlement to medical and hospital care as have its own civil servants of the equivalent level, and under the same conditions.

Article 9. The Government of the Republic of Senegal shall issue to volunteers, free of charge, entry, residence, free movement and exit permits to leave the country at any time, including facilities for repatriation in the event of natural disasters or national or international crises, and the identity documents necessary for the performance of their duties.

Article 10. The Government of the Republic of Senegal shall provide each European volunteer with accommodation in the area of his assignment.

Article 11. (1) The Government of the Republic of Senegal may return a European volunteer for development to his country of origin if it considers that his personal or professional behaviour justifies such a measure. In such case, the Government or agency of origin must be notified accordingly, with a statement of reasons, and must be given one month's notice.

(2) The Government or agency of origin may also recall a European volunteer for development after consultation with the authorities utilizing the volunteer's services.

Article 12. (1) European volunteers for development shall be bound by the obligation to exercise professional discretion in all matters relating to facts or information to which they become privy in the performance of their duties.

(2) They shall refrain from any act that may be detrimental to the Government or agency utilizing their services.

(3) European volunteers for development shall not be required to take part in any manifestation alien to their assignment nor be assigned to any such activities.

(4) They shall not engage in gainful activity of any kind.

Article 13. The procedures for implementing this Agreement may, where necessary, be the subject of additional protocols.

Article 14. This Agreement shall be open to accession by other States members of the European Communities, subject to prior consultation with the Senegalese authorities.

Article 15. This Agreement shall also apply to *Land Berlin*, provided that the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany has not made a contrary declaration to the Government of the Republic of Senegal within the three months following the date of entry into force of this Agreement.

Article 16. (1) This Agreement shall be concluded for a period of three years and shall be automatically renewed unless denounced by one of the Parties, which shall notify the other Party at least six months before the effective date of such denunciation.

(2) It shall enter into force on the date of its signature.

DONE at Dakar, on 12 June 1986, in triplicate, in the French and German languages, all three texts being equally authentic.

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of the French Republic:

[*Signed*]

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