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[TRANSLATION — TRADUCTION]

AGREEMENT<sup>1</sup> ON ECONOMIC AND INDUSTRIAL CO-OPERATION  
BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE FRENCH REPUBLIC  
AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE SULTANATE OF OMAN

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The Government of the French Republic and the Government of the Sultanate of Oman,

Recognizing the mutual benefits which the development of the economic and industrial relations represent for the two States,

Wishing to promote closer co-operation between the organizations and enterprises under their respective jurisdiction,

Considering that such co-operation will be likely to strengthen the bonds of friendship existing between France and the Sultanate of Oman,

Have agreed as follows:

*Article 1.* The two Governments undertake to facilitate and encourage economic and industrial co-operation between France and the Sultanate of Oman in areas of common interest and, in particular, in the following sectors:

1. Infrastructures (communications, telecommunications and transport);
2. Mining industries;
3. Energy and water:
  - Development and exploitation of hydrocarbon resources;
  - Production and transmission of electric power;
  - Development of water resources and desalination;
4. Construction (housing and social amenities);
5. Processing industries;
6. Agriculture and fisheries;
7. Service trades.

The two Parties agree to develop their co-operation in other areas in which this is desirable and taking account of experience acquired and possibilities.

*Article 2.* The co-operation covered by this Agreement may take the following forms in particular:

- Co-operation between the enterprises and organizations under the respective jurisdiction of the Parties at the study stage and the implementation stage, whether for the installation of new economic units or for the expansion of existing units by increasing production capacity or by improving productivity, especially in the sectors of light industry and the processing industries;
- Co-operation between the enterprises and organizations under the respective jurisdiction of the Parties in researching one another's markets and the markets of third countries, as well as in drawing up and implementing projects concerning those markets.

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<sup>1</sup> Came into force on 29 October 1983, the date of the last of the notifications (effected on 13 and 29 October 1983) by which the Parties informed each other of the completion of the required procedures, in accordance with article 5.

The two Parties undertake to facilitate and encourage co-operation between the organizations and enterprises under their respective jurisdiction through the exchange of trade delegations and missions and the organization of exhibitions. They undertake to supply all necessary facilities for the importation of advertising samples and articles required for exhibitions. They shall use all other appropriate means.

*Article 3.* The agreements or contracts governing co-operation between the organizations or enterprises of the two countries shall be concluded in conformity with the legislation in force in the territory of each Party. In the event of a denunciation of this Agreement, the contracts concluded thereunder shall continue to be governed by its provisions.

*Article 4.* Implementation of this Agreement shall be ensured by a Mixed Commission on economic and industrial co-operation.

The Commission shall meet once a year, alternately in Paris and in Muscat. It shall have the task of considering any project likely to strengthen co-operation between the two States and of instituting appropriate measures to bring it about. To that end, the Commission may formulate any useful recommendations of a concrete nature.

*Article 5.* Each Party shall notify the other of the completion of the formalities required under its legislation to bring this Agreement into force.

It shall enter into force on the date of the last notification for a term of five years.

This Agreement shall be renewed automatically and may be denounced at any time on six months' notice.

DONE at Muscat on 19 December 1982, in two copies, each in the French and Arabic languages, both texts being equally authentic.

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