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AGREEMENT¹ ON TECHNICAL COOPERATION BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE ARGENTINE REPUBLIC AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE ITALIAN REPUBLIC

The Government of the Argentine Republic and the Government of the Italian Republic, hereinafter referred to as “the Parties”, desiring to strengthen the bonds of friendship established between the peoples of the two countries and having agreed on the desirability of strengthening relations between them to their mutual advantage by broadening cooperation for development between the two countries, have agreed as follows:

Article 1

The Parties undertake to adopt all measures to promote joint cooperation activities for development and to strive to ensure the harmonious development of their relations.

Article 2

The Parties shall promote cooperation in the following sectors in particular: agriculture and the agro-food industry, energy and mining, vocational training, communications and health, and other sectors of common interest.

Article 3

For the execution of the cooperation activities specified in this Agreement, the Parties may — where they deem it necessary — conclude supplementary agreements in which the terms and conditions and programmes of action shall be specified as well as the relevant financing and other kinds of expenditure.

The Parties shall, hereafter, designate for that purpose the Office of the Under-Secretary for International Cooperation of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Worship for the Argentine Republic and the Department of Cooperation for Development of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs for the Italian Republic.

Each Party may entrust the execution or the management of a project to private associations, public entities or other bodies, in accordance with the legislation in force in each country.

In order to ensure the execution of these agreements, the Parties may send Government or private experts, hereinafter referred to as “experts” to whom the receiving State shall grant the facilities specified in the present Agreement, within the scope of the legislation in force in each country.

The experts may not engage in any other remunerated activities in the receiving country apart from those for which they have been contracted.

¹ Came into force provisionally on 30 September 1986, the date of signature, and definitively on 3 December 1987, the date of the last of the notifications by which the Parties informed each other of the completion of the required internal procedures, in accordance with article 13.

Article 4

Cooperation may be carried out in the following ways:

- (a) The granting of loans on preferential terms for the purpose of executing development projects;
- (b) The exchange of experts who may perform operational or advisory functions;
- (c) The awarding of fellowships or participation in courses or seminars and other activities relating to vocational training and upgrading of professional skills;
- (d) The promotion and, where necessary, the subsidizing of studies and projects;
- (e) The provision of equipment, materials and services on advantageous terms or, in some cases, free of charge;
- (f) Participation in technical cooperation programmes planned or executed by international entities or agencies;
- (g) Participation in the establishment of centres for vocational training and specialization and also research centres and laboratories;
- (h) Any other form of cooperation agreed upon by the competent authorities.

Article 5

Any form of cooperation provided for in this Agreement shall be channelled through the Office of the Under-Secretary for International Cooperation of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Worship of the Argentine Republic and the Department of Cooperation for Development of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Italian Republic.

The projects and initiatives to be executed within the framework of cooperation for development, as well as any matter concerning the application of this Agreement, may be examined by the two Governments through the diplomatic channel.

Article 6

The Parties shall, in accordance with the provisions of the legislation of their respective countries, guarantee to provide all possible assistance to individuals or legal entities for the execution of the cooperation activities provided for in this Agreement.

The Parties undertake to grant, within the scope of the legislation in force in each country, exemption from customs duties and any other duties or taxes applicable to the importation of apparatus, machinery, equipment and supplies required for execution of the programmes provided for in this Agreement.

Article 7

The Government of the Argentine Republic within the scope of the legislation in force:

- (a) Shall provide for the protection of the experts and their property and of the members of their families living with them;
- (b) Shall grant the above-mentioned persons the necessary assistance for their repatriation in times of international crisis;

(c) Shall issue the experts with credentials which state that the competent Authorities will grant them the necessary assistance to accomplish the mission assigned to them in execution of this Agreement. It shall, likewise, grant the members of the experts' families living with them, credentials attesting to their status.

Article 8

The Government of the Argentine Republic shall exempt the experts from any civil liability which, under its laws, may arise on account of damages which they may cause third parties, on Argentine territory, through acts committed in performance of the duties entrusted to them under this Agreement and those specified in article 3, except in cases of fraud or gross negligence.

Article 9

The Government of the Argentine Republic:

(a) Shall grant the experts and their dependent family members living with them permission to enter and leave the country freely at any time, exemption from the payment of visas and, where necessary, residence and work permits;

(b) Shall exempt from taxes and other charges any remuneration which the experts may receive from the Government of the Italian Republic for services provided in fulfilment of this Agreement and those specified in article 3. The Government of the Argentine Republic shall also exempt from taxes any amounts received by consultancy entities which are not headquartered in the Argentine Republic for activities carried out in fulfilment of the agreements specified in article 3;

(c) Shall exempt the experts from

(i) Customs duties and other taxes applicable to the importation and exportation of their personal effects, including their furniture, household utensils and necessary spare parts, and those of the members of their family living with them;

(ii) Customs duties and other taxes applicable to the importation into the country of one motor vehicle for the family group, which may be sold, duty-free, after four years or, upon payment of the duties prescribed by the relevant Argentine legislation, after two years, failing which it must be re-exported;

(iii) Customs duties and other taxes applicable to the importation of articles for their personal consumption or that of the members of their family living with them if experts of the United Nations and its specialized agencies enjoy this privilege;

(d) Shall authorize any expert who does not take advantage of the exemption granted in paragraph (c) (ii) of this article to purchase, free of the taxes or duties chargeable on the price, a motor vehicle manufactured in the Argentine Republic, which he may sell duty-free two years after purchase.

If the expert has to leave the country less than one year after purchasing the motor vehicle, he may sell it upon payment of the full amount of the taxes chargeable at the time of purchase, and if his mission is terminated more than one year but less than two years after the date of purchase, he may sell it upon payment of 50 per cent of those taxes.

Article 10

Under the legislation in force, the Government of the Italian Republic shall grant Argentine experts on assignment in Italy and members of their family living

with or dependent on them, the same treatment as that granted to the Italian experts by the Government of the Argentine Republic.

Article 11

The privileges and exemptions provided in the present Agreement for the experts shall be granted to them by virtue of their position. Should the Government of one of the Parties wish an expert to be withdrawn and the privileges and exemptions listed above to be suspended it shall so inform the Government of the other Party, stating its reasons.

Article 12

This Agreement shall not affect the obligations of the Parties deriving from their membership of communities, economic entities, regional or subregional groups.

The Parties reserved for themselves the right to review their respective international commitments without thereby disputing the fundamental aims of this Agreement.

Article 13

This Agreement shall be provisionally applied from today and shall enter into force on the date on which the Parties notify each other that the formalities required under the legislation of their respective countries have been completed.

This Agreement shall remain in force for three years and shall be automatically renewable unless either Party denounces it at least six months before it expires.

Denunciation of this Agreement shall not affect the rights and obligations deriving from it during the period prior to its denunciation.

DONE in the city of Rome on 30 September 1986, in two original copies, in the Spanish and Italian languages, both texts being equally authentic.

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