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BASIC AGREEMENT¹ ON SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL COOPERATION BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE FEDERATIVE REPUBLIC OF BRAZIL AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF SAO TOME AND PRINCIPE

The Government of the Federative Republic of Brazil and

The Government of the Democratic Republic of Sao Tome and Principe,

Desiring to strengthen the ties of friendship existing between the two States,

Considering their common interest in accelerating the social and economic development of their countries and aware that the encouragement of scientific and technical cooperation and of the exchange of scientific and technical knowledge between them will contribute to the achievement of those objectives,

Have agreed as follows:

Article I

The Contracting Parties shall develop scientific and technical cooperation between the two countries with a view to contributing to better utilization of their natural and human resources by ensuring that the programmes resulting from this Basic Agreement are consistent with the global, regional or sectoral development policies and plans in both countries, as additional support for their own internal efforts to achieve their economic and social development objectives.

Article II

Cooperation between the Contracting Parties shall be carried out basically through:

- (a) Exchange of information, including the organization of appropriate means of disseminating it;
- (b) Training by means of planned tours or internships for specialized training and the granting of fellowships for specialized technical training;
- (c) Joint research projects in areas of science and technology that are of mutual interest;
 - (d) Exchange of experts and scientists;
 - (e) Organization of seminars and lectures;
- (f) Dispatch and exchange of equipment and supplies necessary for implementing specific projects;
- (g) Such other means of cooperation as may be agreed upon by the Contracting Parties.

¹ Came into force on 21 December 1987, the date of the last of the notifications (effected on 6 March 1985 and 21 December 1987) by which the Contracting Parties informed each other of the completion of the required procedures, in accordance with article XI.

Article III

The programmes and projects of scientific and technical cooperation referred to in this Basic Agreement shall be the subject of supplementary arrangements which shall specify the objectives of such programmes and projects, the procedures for implementation and the obligations, including financial obligations, of each of the Contracting Parties.

Article IV

The Contracting Parties shall, through their respective Ministries of Foreign Affairs, evaluate each year the joint scientific and technical cooperation programmes with a view to making any necessary adjustments. By way of exception, such evaluations may be carried out at different intervals, if circumstances so require, and by agreement through the diplomatic channel.

Article V

- 1. Financing of the forms of scientific and technical cooperation specified in article II shall be agreed upon by the Contracting Parties in respect of each project.
- 2. The Contracting Parties may seek financing from, and the participation of, international agencies for the execution of the programmes and projects resulting from implementation of this Basic Agreement.

Article VI

Scientific and technical information shall be exchanged, through the diplomatic channel, by agencies designated for that purpose in each case by the Contracting Parties, which shall also determine the scope of such information and limitations on its use.

Article VII

The Contracting Parties shall facilitate in their respective territories both the entry of experts and technicians and the fulfilment of their objectives and functions in carrying out activities in pursuance of this Basic Agreement.

Article VIII

Each Contracting Party shall, under the Supplementary Arrangements envisaged in article III, grant the specialists appointed to carry out their functions in the territory of the other Party and members of their immediate families:

- (a) Free official residence visas valid for the term specified in the respective Supplementary Arrangement;
- (b) Exemption from duties and other customs charges for the importation of household and personal effects in connection with their initial installation, provided that their stay in the host country will be more than one year;
 - (c) The same exemption when such effects are re-exported;
- (d) Exemption from taxes on salaries and benefits paid to them by the sending institution;
 - (e) Facilities for repatriation in the event of a crisis.

Article IX

Any equipment and supplies which may, for any reason, be provided by one Government to the other in connection with the technical and scientific cooperation projects shall be subject to the regulations governing entry into the country of equipment and supplies provided by the United Nations for technical and scientific cooperation projects and programmes.

Article X

In accordance with article VI, the Contracting Parties agree to ensure that the entities concerned with the execution of programmes and projects resulting from this Basic Agreement provide visiting experts and technicians with logistical support and the transport facilities and information required for the performance of their specific functions. They shall likewise provide board and lodging for them, if necessary.

Article XI

Each Contracting Party shall notify the other of the completion of the formalities required for the entry into force of this Agreement, which shall enter into force on the date of the second such notification. This Agreement shall remain in force for five years and shall be automatically renewable for similar periods, unless either Contracting Party informs the other, at least six months in advance, that it has decided otherwise.

Article XII

The denunciation or expiry of this Agreement shall not affect programmes and projects in progress, unless the Contracting Parties agree otherwise.

Article XIII

This Basic Agreement may be denounced by either Contracting Party and shall cease to have effect six months after the date of denunciation.

Done at Brasília, on 26 June 1984, in duplicate, in the Portuguese language, both texts being equally authentic.

For the Government of the Federative Republic of Brazil:

[Signed]

RAMIRO SARAIVA GUERREIRO

For the Government of the Democratic Republic of Sao Tome and Principe:

[Signed]

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