

No. 25930

**AUSTRIA
and
HUNGARY**

**Agreement on cooperation in the field of tourism. Signed at
Vienna on 17 October 1980**

Authentic texts: German and Hungarian.

Registered by Austria on 9 May 1988.

**AUTRICHE
et
HONGRIE**

**Accord relatif à la coopération dans le domaine du tourisme.
Signé à Vienne le 17 octobre 1980**

Textes authentiques : allemand et hongrois.

Enregistré par l'Autriche le 9 mai 1988.

[TRANSLATION — TRADUCTION]

AGREEMENT¹ ON COOPERATION IN THE FIELD OF TOURISM
BETWEEN THE AUSTRIAN FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AND
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE HUNGARIAN PEOPLE'S RE-
PUBLIC

The Austrian Federal Government and the Government of the Hungarian People's Republic,

Aiming to develop and enhance the relations between the Republic of Austria and the Hungarian People's Republic,

Convinced that tourism contributes to fuller knowledge of the life, culture and history of other countries, to the development of mutual understanding among peoples, to improved contacts and to more extensive use of leisure time, as established in the Final Act of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe, signed at Helsinki on 1 August 1975,²

Bearing in mind the importance which the development of tourism may have for furthering relations between the two States,

Desiring to promote close and lasting cooperation in the field of tourism,

Convinced of the importance of close regional cooperation,

On the basis of the Convention concerning Customs Facilities for Touring, adopted on the occasion of the United Nations Conference on Customs Formalities for the Temporary Importation of Private Road Motor Vehicles and for Tourism, and of the Additional Protocol to the Convention concerning Customs Facilities for Touring, relating to the importation of tourist publicity documents and material,³ which were signed at New York on 4 June 1954,

Have agreed as follows:

Article 1

The Contracting Parties shall devote special attention to the development and enhancement of their mutual relations in tourism and strive to promote such relations. To that end, they shall encourage cooperation between Austrian and Hungarian tourist institutions, organizations and enterprises.

Article 2

Each Contracting Party shall, in a spirit of reciprocity, promote group and individual travel by tourists from its territory to the territory of the other Contracting Party, even where such tourists come from third States.

Article 3

Several agreements between the Republic of Austria and the Hungarian People's Republic already provide for facilitating travel by the nationals of one

¹ Came into force on 16 December 1980, i.e., 60 days after the date of signature, in accordance with article 12.

² *International Legal Materials*, vol. 14 (1975), p. 1292 (American Society of International Law).

³ United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 276, p. 191.

Contracting Party to the territory of the other Contracting Party.¹ The Contracting Parties shall, in addition, endeavour to facilitate and simplify frontier and other formalities for tourist travel by Austrian nationals to the Hungarian People's Republic and by Hungarian nationals to the Republic of Austria, as well as to remove any other obstacles to tourist travel between the two States by their nationals.

Article 4

The Contracting Parties shall, so far as possible, take action in the interest of tourist development to promote, expand, improve and coordinate mutual connections in all areas of transport, including transport along the Danube. They shall to that end encourage and support the activities of the States' passenger transport and travel agencies, and particularly cooperation contracts between such agencies. The Hungarian People's Republic shall endeavour to apply the Customs Convention on the Temporary Importation of Private Road Vehicles, which was signed at New York on 4 June 1954² and has already been ratified by the Republic of Austria, in road traffic in Austria.

Article 5

The Contracting Parties shall, so far as possible, in the interest of further developing tourist travel between them, support cooperation with respect both to the planning of tourist facilities and to the protection of the environment and nature, particularly at the regional level.

Article 6

The Contracting Parties shall further promote and support tourist publicity and the exchange and distribution of tourist information and publications, as well as joint regional tourist publicity initiatives. They shall each take all appropriate measures to ensure that tourists from the other State staying in their country are able to obtain their principal local daily and weekly newspapers.

Article 7

Each Contracting Party shall support and promote reciprocal visits by radio, television and press reporters, as well as by experts in tourism, with a view to publicizing the tourist attractions of the other State.

Article 8

The Contracting Parties shall render each other support in the exchange of experts and of experience and information, in all fields of tourism. They shall, so far as possible, promote cooperation between Austrian and Hungarian enterprises in the establishment of tourist facilities and the supply of tourist equipment, both in the territory of the Contracting Parties and in third States.

¹ See "Exchange of notes constituting an agreement concerning the mutual abolition of visas for holders of diplomatic passports", United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 564, p. 179; "Agreement concerning passport and customs control" *ibid.*, vol. 638, p. 53; "Agreement concerning the use by Austrian nationals of the section of the Mörbisch-Siegenderf country road in the Fertőrákos area", *ibid.*, vol. 986, p. 101; "Agreement concerning the issue free of charge of visas for travel in performance of economic, scientific, cultural or sports tasks", *ibid.*, vol. 1026, p. 115; "Agreement concerning the abolition of the visa requirement", *ibid.*, vol. 1172, p. 317; and "Agreement concerning transit rail traffic through the area of the city of Sopron and vicinity", *ibid.*, vol. 1286, p. 275.

² United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 282, p. 249.

Article 9

The Contracting Parties shall facilitate and support the establishment of branch offices of the official Austrian and Hungarian tourist publicity organizations, which shall be non-profit-making and shall serve exclusively to publicize tourism in the respective other State. They shall ensure that equal conditions apply to the establishment and activities of such offices, particularly with regard to the possibility of employing their own qualified nationals.

Article 10

Payments arising from tourism shall be made in accordance with the provisions of the payments agreement between Austria and Hungary in force each time.

Article 11

The Contracting Parties shall establish a Mixed Commission to monitor implementation of this Agreement, propose appropriate measures for such implementation and promote the exchange of experience in tourism. The Commission shall be convened, by prior agreement, alternately in Austria and in Hungary.

Article 12

This Agreement shall enter into force 60 days after the date of its signature and is concluded for a period of five years. It shall be extended tacitly for further five-year periods unless it is denounced in writing by one of the Contracting Parties, through the diplomatic channel, at least six months before the date on which it expires.

DONE at Vienna on 17 October 1980, in two originals, in the German and Hungarian languages, both texts being equally authentic.

For the Austrian Federal Government:

STARIBACHER

For the Government of the Hungarian People's Republic:

SÁGHY
