

**UNITED NATIONS
(UNITED NATIONS CHILDREN'S FUND)
and
ITALY**

Agreement for the establishment of an international child development centre in the "Istituto degli Innocenti" in Florence (with related letter). Signed at New York on 23 September 1986

Authentic text of the Agreement: English.

Authentic text of the related letter: Italian.

Registered ex officio on 10 August 1988.

**ORGANISATION DES NATIONS UNIES
(FONDS DES NATIONS UNIES POUR L'ENFANCE)
et
ITALIE**

Accord relatif à l'établissement d'un centre international de développement pour enfants à l'« Istituto degli Innocenti » à Florence (avec lettre connexe). Signé à New York le 23 septembre 1986

Texte authentique de l'Accord : anglais.

Texte authentique de la lettre connexe : italien.

Enregistré d'office le 10 août 1988.

AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF ITALY AND THE UNITED NATIONS CHILDREN'S FUND

This Agreement is made between the Government of Italy ("Government") and the United Nations Children's Fund ("UNICEF") to define the terms, conditions and funding for the establishment and operation of a Centre for study, research, information and education in the field of assistance to children, to be located on the premises of the Istituto degli Innocenti, in Florence, Italy, pursuant to clause 3 of the Agreement signed on 23 September 1986 between the Government and the United Nations.²

For these purposes, the Government and UNICEF hereby agree as follows:

1. UNICEF shall establish in Italy an office to be located on premises of the Istituto degli Innocenti in Florence, Italy, to be specified in agreement with the Administration of the Istituto degli Innocenti.

2. The UNICEF office shall have the task of establishing and operating a Centre for study, research, information and education in the field of assistance to children ("Centre").

3. The Government shall finance the UNICEF office and the operation of the Centre through the payment of a sum of three thousand five hundred million Italian Lire (Lit 3,500,000,000) each year for a duration of three years, in part from the Reserve of the UNRRA Lire Fund and in part as an addition to the Government's annual voluntary contribution to UNICEF.

4. UNICEF shall allocate the contribution indicated in paragraph 3 to meet the expenses necessary for the adaptation and use of the premises, as well as for the UNICEF office and the operation of the Centre, including the costs of the staff provided for in paragraph 7, of any expert on mission for the United Nations in connection with the office or the Centre, and of the members of the Advisory Committee referred to in paragraph 8, without any further financial contribution of the Government.

5. The authority and responsibility for the operation of the Centre shall be vested in UNICEF, which shall avail itself of the co-operation of the Istituto degli Innocenti.

6. UNICEF and the Istituto degli Innocenti shall conclude a contract, consistent with this Agreement, to regulate the use of the premises and to establish the terms and conditions for their co-operation in the operation of the Centre.

7. The administration of the UNICEF office and the operation of the Centre shall be entrusted to a Director designated by UNICEF, who shall be assisted by no more than six staff members appointed under the Regulations and Rules of the United Nations and thus enjoying the status of international officials. The remainder of the personnel necessary for the office and for the operation of the Centre shall be recruited or otherwise provided locally.

¹ Came into force on 10 August 1988, the day after the exchange of the instrument of ratification by Italy and of the act of formal confirmation by the United Nations, which took place at Rome on 9 August 1988, in accordance with paragraph 11.

² United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 1436, No. 1-24343.

8. The Director shall be assisted on important policy matters by an Advisory Committee, consisting of four representatives of UNICEF, two representatives of the Government and two representatives of the Istituto degli Innocenti.

9. The privileges and immunities set forth in the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the United Nations, adopted by the General Assembly on 13 February 1946,¹ to which Italy became a party on 3 February 1958, shall apply to the UNICEF office, to its premises, assets, income and other property connected with the operation of the Centre. They shall also apply, within the limits specified for each category by the Convention, to the Director and to the staff members referred to in paragraph 7, to the representatives of UNICEF on the Advisory Committee referred to in paragraph 8 in connection with their participation in the Committee, as well as to any expert on mission for the United Nations in connection with the office or the Centre.

10. Any dispute between the Government and UNICEF concerning the interpretation or implementation of this Agreement which is not settled by direct negotiations or other mutually accepted methods, or pursuant to Article VIII of the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the United Nations, shall be referred for final decision to a tribunal of three arbitrators, one to be named by the Government, one to be named by UNICEF and the third to be chosen by those two, or, if they should fail to agree upon a third, then by the President of the International Court of Justice.

11. This Agreement shall enter into force the day after the exchange between the parties of an instrument of ratification by the Government and of an instrument relating to an act of formal confirmation by UNICEF on behalf of the United Nations.

12. This Agreement shall be in force for a term of three (3) years and may be extended by exchange of letters between the Government and UNICEF.

DONE in English in two originals at New York, on the 23rd day of September 1986.

For the Government
of Italy:

[Signed]

GIULIO ANDREOTTI
Minister of Foreign Affairs

For the United Nations
Children's Fund:

[Signed]

JAMES P. GRANT
Executive Director

¹ United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 1, p. 15, and vol. 90, p. 327 (corrigendum to vol. 1, p. 18).

RELATED LETTER — LETTRE CONNEXE

[ITALIAN TEXT — TEXTE ITALIEN]

[TRANSLATION — TRADUCTION]

IL MINISTRO
DEGLI AFFARI ESTERI

New York, 23 Settembre 1986

Caro Signor Grant,

nell'esprimere la mia profonda soddisfazione per la firma dell'accordo che prevede l'istituzione di un Ufficio UNICEF a Firenze per realizzare, in collaborazione con l'Istituto degli Innocenti, un Centro di studi e ricerche per l'assistenza all'infanzia. Le assicuro il mio personale impegno ad ottenere la procedura parlamentare d'urgenza per la rapida ratifica dell'accordo, in modo che l'Ufficio dell'UNICEF possa diventare operativo nel più breve tempo possibile. Aggiungo che è fermo intendimento del Governo italiano promuovere, al momento opportuno, le iniziative atte a prolungare, senza soluzione di continuità oltre il triennio concordato, la vita dell'istituendo Centro e, possibilmente, svilupparne le capacità operative sulla base delle esperienze acquisite e delle crescenti esigenze nel settore.

Questo impegno, del resto, risponde ad una costante della politica del Governo italiano che ha profuso ogni sforzo per intensificare e rendere sempre più proficua la propria collaborazione con l'UNICEF per il raggiungimento di comuni obiettivi.

GIULIO ANDREOTTI
Ministro
degli Affari Esteri

S. E. il Sig. James P. Grant
Direttore Esecutivo dell'UNICEF
New York

THE MINISTER
FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS

New York, 23 September 1986

Dear Mr. Grant,

I wish to express my deep satisfaction at the signing of the Agreement to set up a UNICEF office in Florence for the purpose of establishing a centre for study and research in the field of assistance to children, in cooperation with the Istituto degli Innocenti. Rest assured that I am personally committed to seeing to it that the urgent parliamentary procedure is followed so as to ensure the speedy ratification of the Agreement, in order that the UNICEF office may become operational as soon as possible. It is also the firm intention of the Italian Government at the appropriate time to take the measures necessary to extend the life of the new centre beyond the agreed three-year period without interruption and, if possible, to increase its operational capacity on the basis of the experience acquired and the growing needs in this area.

This commitment, moreover, reflects a constant concern in the policy of the Italian Government, which has made every effort to step up and enhance the effectiveness of its cooperation with UNICEF for the attainment of their common objectives.

GIULIO ANDREOTTI
Minister
for Foreign Affairs

Mr. James P. Grant
Executive Director of UNICEF
New York