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**Agreement on trade in the Danube area (with annexes).
Signed at Vienna on 9 July 1987**

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[TRANSLATION — TRADUCTION]

AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE REPUBLIC OF AUSTRIA AND THE
UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS ON TRADE IN
THE DANUBE AREA

The Federal Government of Austria and the Government of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics,

Desiring to promote the further development of trade relations between the two countries on the basis of equality of rights and mutual advantage,

Guided by the principles and provisions of the Treaty of Trade and Navigation between the Republic of Austria and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics of 17 October 1955,² the Agreement on Economic and Scientific and Technological Cooperation between the Federal Government of Austria and the Government of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics of 24 May 1968, the Agreement on the Development of Economic, Scientific, Technological and Industrial Cooperation between the Republic of Austria and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics of 1 February 1973, the Long-term Agreement between the Republic of Austria and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics concerning trade and payments of 30 May 1975,³ and the Long-term Programme for the Development and Strengthening of Economic, Scientific, Technological and Industrial Cooperation between the Republic of Austria and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics for the period 1981-1990, of 19 January 1981, expanded and renewed by the Protocol of 4 October 1985,

Noting the favourable possibilities for a further increase in the volume of trade and for the improvement of its structure, and desiring to use these possibilities in the interests of both countries,

Attaching importance to promising forms of trade and economic cooperation,

Bearing in mind that the Republic of Austria and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics are Danube States and that the Danube, as an international river, plays an important role in the development of trade and economic relations,

Have decided to conclude an Agreement on Trade in the Danube area and

Have agreed as follows:

Article 1

Trade between the Republic of Austria and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics in the Danube area shall be carried on within the framework of the existing laws of the two countries in the form of reciprocal deliveries of goods and the provision of services on a balanced basis.

The Parties shall endeavour to extend the nomenclature of goods traded with each other and of services exchanged.

¹ Came into force on 9 July 1987 by signature, in accordance with article 9.

² United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 240, p. 289.

³ See p. 269 of this volume.

An indicative enumeration of goods is given in lists 1 and 2 annexed to this Agreement. These lists may be changed by agreement between the Parties.

Article 2

Trade in the Danube area shall be conducted on the basis of contracts concluded between Austrian physical and juridical persons, on the one hand, and the corresponding foreign trade organizations of the Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic and the Moldavian Soviet Socialist Republic, on the other hand.

In individual cases, contracts may also be concluded on the Soviet side by other foreign-trade organizations.

The contracts referred to in this article shall contain the agreed conditions for the delivery of goods and the provision of services.

Article 3

In the conclusion of a contract or contracts, Austrian physical and juridical persons and the corresponding Soviet organizations shall proceed on the basis of a balance in the trade in goods and the provision of services in order to ensure that, as a rule, the value of the goods and services originating in one country over a given period corresponds to the value of the goods and services originating in the other country.

Article 4

Trade in the Danube area under this Agreement shall be carried on at the current world prices for the goods in question. The prices of goods which have no world prices shall be agreed between the Parties to the contract on the basis of the world prices for comparable goods.

Article 5

Payments under this Agreement shall be made in freely convertible currency.

Article 6

Representatives of the competent organs of the two countries shall meet by common agreement in the Joint Austro-Soviet Commission on Economic, Scientific and Technological Cooperation in order to consider any issues which may arise in the application of this Agreement and to prepare, if necessary, appropriate proposals and recommendations.

Article 7

With respect to matters not regulated by this Agreement, the provisions of the above-mentioned Treaty of Trade and Navigation of 17 October 1955 and Long term Agreement on Trade and Payments of 30 May 1975 shall apply.

Article 8

The provisions of this Agreement shall apply to all contracts concerning trade in the Danube area concluded while the Agreement is in force but not implemented at the time of expiry of its period of validity.

Article 9

This Agreement shall enter into force on the date of its signature and shall remain in force until 31 December 1990. If, six months prior to the expiry of the

period of validity of this Agreement, neither of the Parties has given notice in writing through the diplomatic channel of its intention to terminate the Agreement, it shall be renewed for successive periods of five years.

DONE in Vienna on 9 July 1987 in two copies, in the German and Russian languages, both texts being equally authentic.

For the Federal Government of the Republic
of Austria:

GRAF

For the Government of the Union of Soviet
Socialist Republics:

ARISTOV

ANNEX TO THE AGREEMENT OF 9 JULY 1987

LIST 1. SOVIET GOODS FOR EXPORT TO AUSTRIA

Various types of machinery and equipment, including:

- Appliances and tools
- Agricultural implements

Petroleum products, including:

- Petroleum slurry

Liquid petroleum gases, including:

- Propane
- Butane

Non-metallic minerals, including

- Fireproof clays

Open-hearth pig iron for the production of spheroidal graphite cast iron

Chemical products

Fertilizers

Building materials and components

Timber, including:

- Roundwood (logs) of coniferous species
- Pulpwood of coniferous species
- Pallets and their components

Furs

Seeds and seedlings, including:

- Seeds of oil plants (sunflower, mustard, sesame, poppy)
- Seeds of melon plants (pumpkin)
- Seeds of essential-oil plants (coriander)

Horns and hoofs

Raw materials for the production of foodstuffs, including:

- Horses for slaughter
- Malt
- Hops
- Cornstarch

Foodstuffs, including:

- Tinned and bottled foods
- Meat of game animals
- Offal of domestic and wild animals and poultry
- Concentrated fruit juices
- Fresh, dried and salted mushrooms
- Sunflower oil
- Bee's honey

Industrial consumer goods, including:

- Textiles
- Clothing and underwear
- Haberdashery, including textile natural and artificial leather items
- Hosiery
- Television sets
- Refrigerators
- Cameras
- Footwear
- Chinaware
- Goods for personal and domestic use, including
 - Household goods
 - Sporting goods and accessories
 - Printed items
 - Musical instruments
 - Handicrafts
 - Toys
- Office materials

Other goods, including various waste and recycled materials

ANNEX TO THE AGREEMENT OF 9 JULY 1987

LIST 2. AUSTRIAN GOODS FOR EXPORT TO THE USSR

Various types of equipment for different branches of industry, including:

- Equipment for the quarrying and processing of blocks and slabs of natural stone
- Equipment for the foodstuffs and luxury food industry and for light industry
- Equipment for the building materials industry
- Appliances and tools
- Agricultural machinery, equipment and implements

Chemical products

Paints and varnishes

Agricultural pesticides

Building materials and components

Cutlery

Cellulose and paper products

Seeds (maize) and seedlings

Pedigree cattle

Sperm of pedigree animals

Raw materials for the production of foodstuffs, including grain plants

Foodstuffs, including:

- Meat and meat products
- Butter
- Dried milk
- Fruit juices

Industrial consumer goods, including:

- Textiles
- Sewn goods
- Knitwear
- Yarns
- Footwear

Other consumer goods

Other goods