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**FRANCE
and
GERMAN DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC**

**Agreement on economic, industrial and technical cooperation
(with annex). Signed at Paris on 19 July 1973**

Authentic texts: French and German.

Registered by France on 10 April 1990.

**FRANCE
et
RÉPUBLIQUE DÉMOCRATIQUE ALLEMANDE**

**Accord relatif à la coopération économique, industrielle et
technique (avec annexe). Signé à Paris le 19 juillet 1973**

Textes authentiques : français et allemand.

Enregistré par la France le 10 avril 1990.

[TRANSLATION — TRADUCTION]

AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE FRENCH REPUBLIC AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE GERMAN DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC ON ECONOMIC, INDUSTRIAL AND TECHNICAL COOPERATION

The Government of the French Republic and the Government of the German Democratic Republic,

Desiring, on the basis of equality of rights and mutual advantage, to encourage and intensify economic, industrial and technical cooperation, to which they attach great importance for the development of their mutual relations,

Wishing to make effective use of the economic and technical potential of the two States,

Recognizing the need to conclude long-term agreements and arrangements with a view to establishing lasting cooperation,

Have agreed as follows:

Article 1

The Government of the French Republic and the Government of the German Democratic Republic undertake to promote economic, industrial and technical cooperation between their two countries. Taking into account the economic potential of the two countries, they believe that the development of such cooperation will lead to a considerable expansion of their economic relations.

To that end, in accordance with the laws and regulations in force in their countries, they shall grant each other all possible facilities for the realization of economic, industrial and technical cooperation projects approved by the two Parties.

Article 2

The two Governments may, under this Agreement, conclude other cooperation agreements in particular sectors.

Article 3

The two Governments shall encourage initiatives aimed at the conclusion of contracts and arrangements in accordance with this Agreement between French organizations and firms, on the one hand, and authorized organizations and enterprises of the German Democratic Republic, on the other hand, and shall promote the execution of such contracts and arrangements.

Article 4

The two Governments shall, when it is mutually advantageous, encourage projects relating to economic, industrial and technical cooperation on third markets between the organizations and enterprises mentioned in article 3.

¹ Came into force on 19 July 1973 by signature, in accordance with article 7.

Article 5

Taking into account the economic potential of the two countries, the two Governments believe that there are possibilities for mutually advantageous cooperation in a number of sectors, in particular those specified in the annex to this Agreement.

Other areas of cooperation may be specified by the Mixed Commission referred to in article 6.

Article 6

In order to promote the execution of projects relating to economic, industrial and technical cooperation, the two Parties shall establish a Mixed Commission composed of representatives of the competent services authorized by their respective Governments.

The Mixed Commission shall have the task of considering the possibilities for economic, industrial and technical cooperation, encouraging specific projects of mutual interest, and studying the forms such cooperation may take.

The Mixed Commission shall encourage the exchange of ideas and information in the economic, industrial and technical sectors.

The Mixed Commission may establish working groups in appropriate sectors.

The Mixed Commission shall meet, at the request of one of the Parties, at least once a year, alternately in France and in the German Democratic Republic.

Article 7

This Agreement shall enter into force on the date of its signature for a period of ten years.

After the said period it shall be extended automatically from year to year, unless denounced by either Party on six months' notice.

The expiry of this Agreement shall not affect the realization of projects under negotiation, nor the execution of contracts already concluded, nor the guarantee of rights acquired under this Agreement.

DONE at Paris, on 19 July 1973, in two copies, in the French and German languages, both texts being equally authentic.

For the Government
of the French Republic:
[VALÉRY GISCARD D'ESTAING]

For the Government
of the German Democratic Republic:
[HORST SOLLE]

ANNEX TO ARTICLE 5 OF THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE FRENCH REPUBLIC AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE GERMAN DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC ON ECONOMIC, INDUSTRIAL AND TECHNICAL COOPERATION OF 19 JULY 1973

- (1) Machine construction
including: Machine tools
 - Agricultural machinery
 - Textile machinery
 - Machines for the processing of plastics
 - Railway equipment
 - (2) Electrical technology and electronics
including: Control and regulating technology
 - Colour television
 - (3) Industrial units
including: Chemical plants
 - Plant and equipment for the production of energy
 - (4) Chemical industry
 - (5) Shipbuilding
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