

AGREEMENT ON ECONOMIC AND TECHNICAL COOPERATION BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF JAPAN AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA

The Government of Japan and the Government of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, being desirous of further developing and strengthening the friendly relations that exist between the two countries through promoting economic and technical cooperation between them,

Have agreed upon as follows:

Article 1

The two governments will endeavour to promote economic and technical cooperation between the two countries in a spirit of complete mutual understanding.

Article 2

- 1) The two governments will cooperate in all economic development fields including the industrial, petroleum, petrochemical, mineral, agricultural, irrigation, fisheries, and medical projects by establishment of joint or mixed ventures or companies in such fields.
- 2) Technical cooperation in accordance with the Agreement include the following:
 - a) To provide technical experts so that their expertise can be utilized through work and advice.

- b) To provide academic and training scholarships for educational, industrial and technical establishments and for various other sectors according to the need and specialized areas.
 - c) To provide assistance in carrying out scientific, technical, and training research projects, particularly through the cooperation of the institutions and the organizations that are specialized in such fields, and the preparation of studies which aim at the realization of economic, social and technical progress.
 - d) To provide the necessary equipments, machines and materials for the achievement of the objectives of this Agreement.
- 3) Any other type of technical and economic cooperation which can be mutually agreed upon will be provided.

Article 3

The proper atmosphere will be prepared for the implementation of the objectives of this Agreement by providing the necessary services and facilities which include inter alia the following:

- a) The necessary offices and local staff including the Saudi Arabian counterpart personnel to the Japanese experts will be provided.
- b) Exemption of the necessary equipments, machines and materials from custom duties and other duties.
- c) The experts, their families and the missions who are to be despatched in accordance with Article 2 of this Agreement will be granted exemptions and benefits not less favourable than those granted to

the experts and their families of a third country in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

Article 4

The two governments will endeavour to encourage economic and technical cooperation between nationals (including juridical persons) of the two countries, in accordance with the laws and regulations in force in their respective countries, and will lay emphasis on the establishment of joint or mixed ventures and companies in the various fields.

Article 5

The Government of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia will encourage the investment of Japanese capital in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

Article 6

In order to ensure the implementation of this Agreement in an effective manner, a joint committee comprising the representatives of the two governments will be formed.

This Committee will meet, periodically or when necessary, for consultations and to agree upon the development projects and the measures that are necessary to implement and follow up the Agreement. The two governments will adopt the projects and measures agreed upon by the Committee.

Article 7

- 1) This Agreement will enter into force on the date of receipt by the Government of Japan of a Note from the Government of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia stating that the necessary formalities for the entry into force of the Agreement have been completed.
- 2) This Agreement is valid for a period of five years, and will be automatically renewed for similar terms unless either party gives to the other party at least six months advance written notice of its intentions to terminate or amend the Agreement.

DONE in duplicate in the Japanese, Arabic and English languages.

This first day of the third month in the fiftieth year of Showa, corresponding to the eighteenth day of Safar, 1395, and to the first day of March, one thousand nine hundred and seventy - five at Tokyo.

For the Government of Japan:

(Signed) Kiichi Miyazawa

For the Government of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia:

(Signed) Hisham M. Nazer