

法規名稱：AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF ST. VINCENT ON ICDF VOLUNTEERS

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The Government of the Republic of China (hereinafter referred to as the R.O.C.) and the Government of St. Vincent and the Grenadines (hereinafter referred to as St. Vincent) ,

With a view to promoting mutual understanding and strengthening the friendly and cooperative relationship between the two countries,

In reference to the recent discussions held between the representatives of the International Cooperation and Development Fund (hereinafter referred to as the ICDF) of the R.O.C. and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Tourism, and Information of St. Vincent concerning the dispatch of volunteers of the ICDF (hereinafter referred to as the ICDF volunteers) from the R.O.C. to St. Vincent under the ICDF volunteers programme (hereinafter referred to as the programme) ,

Have hereby agreed as follows:

Article 1

The Government of the ROC agrees to dispatch to St. Vincent the ICDF volunteers for service at the request of the Government of St. Vincent, in compliance with the ROC laws and plans agreed by the two Governments.

Article 2

The Government of St. Vincent shall accept coordinators of volunteers (hereinafter referred to as coordinators) assigned by the ICDF, who will be responsible for designating the duties to the ICDF volunteers relating to the activities of the programme in St. Vincent.

Article 3

The ICDF shall provide the ICDF volunteers and coordinators (hereinafter referred to as the programme personnel) with the following:

- a. International travel expenses between the R.O.C. and St. Vincent;
- b. Monthly living allowance during the period of their assignments;
- c. Equipment and materials necessary for the performance of their duties and medical supplies necessary for their own use; and
- d. An appropriate level of medical care and hospitalization. The Government of St. Vincent shall provide emergency medical attention and first aid to the programme personnel. Should any expenses be incurred, the ICDF shall compensate such expenses to St. Vincent.

Article 4

The Government of St. Vincent shall grant the programme personnel the following privileges, exemptions and benefits:

- a. Exemption from customs duties, taxes and other governmental charges on all equipment, materials and medical supplies introduced into St. Vincent as stated in Article 3 (c) of this Agreement for use in the performance of their duties;
- b. Exemption from customs duties, taxes and other governmental charges on a vehicle for each coordinator's personal use.
- c. Exemption from customs duties, taxes and other governmental charges on their personal and household effects introduced into St. Vincent for their own use within six months of their first arrival;
- d. Exemption from income tax and other governmental charges in respect of any remuneration or allowances the programme personnel received in St. Vincent from abroad in connection with their activities under the programme;
- e. Local transportation necessary for the performance of their duties; and
- f. Issuance of appropriate identification cards to the programme

personnel to facilitate the performance of their functions.

Article 5

- a. The programme personnel, while importing goods free of customs duties, taxes and charges in accordance with the provisions of Article 4 (a) , (b) and (c) of this Agreement, shall present specification of such goods to the authorities concerned of the Government of St. Vincent.
- b. In compliance with the regulations of St. Vincent concerning temporary admission, all durable goods imported free of customs duties, taxes and any charges shall be re-exported unless:
- (1) They are sold within the territory of St. Vincent with the payment of customs duties, taxes and charges, or donated to the Government of St. Vincent on its approval; or
 - (2) Such re-exportation is impossible or inappropriate.
- c. In case motorcar is transferred from one coordinator to another, all applicable taxes according to the laws of St. Vincent shall be exempted.

Article 6

The Government of St. Vincent shall take all possible measures to ensure the personal safety and security of the programme personnel in the course of performing their duties. The Government of St. Vincent shall accord the programme personnel and their properties the treatment no less favorable than that accorded generally to the same of other international missions that are residing and performing similar activities in the territory of St. Vincent. For all matters concerning the programme, the Government of St. Vincent shall fully inform, consult and cooperate with the programme personnel.

Article 7

The Government of St. Vincent shall be responsible for any claims against the programme personnel, that may arise as a result

of any act or omission of programme personnel in the course of their official functions in St. Vincent, provided however that such claims do not arise from the gross negligence or wilful misconduct on the part of the programme personnel.

Article 8

Programme personnel shall comply with the laws and customs of St. Vincent and shall not engage in any profit-making business during their assignment in St. Vincent.

Article 9

The two Governments shall hold consultations, from time to time, for the successful implementation of the programme in St. Vincent.

Article 10

This Agreement shall enter into force on the date of signature. It may be amended by mutual consent between the two Governments and shall remain in force until six months after the date of the written notification from either Government to the other of its intention of termination.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, being duly authorized thereto by their respective Governments, have signed this Agreement.

Done in duplicate in the Chinese and English Languages, both texts being equally authentic, in Roseau, Commonwealth of Dominica on this thirteenth day of August of the year one thousand nine hundred and ninety-nine.

For the Government of the Republic of China
The Hon. Dr. Jason Hu
Minister of Foreign Affairs

For the Government of St. Vincent and the Grenadines

The Hon. Allan Cruickshank
Minister of Foreign Affairs