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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING¹ BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF FRANCE AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SINGAPORE FOR THE OPERATION OF THE FRENCH-SINGAPORE INSTITUTE

The Government of the Republic of France and the Government of the Republic of Singapore agree to extend their cooperation in the running of the French-Singapore Institute.

The two parties agree that :

Article 1

In this Memorandum, the French-Singapore Institute will be referred to as the Institute.

Article 2

1) The Institute provides initial and further training in the fields of electrical and electronic engineering with emphasis on electronic design, information technology and factory automation. These training courses and the professional careers to which they lead are described in Annex I, which forms an integral part of this Memorandum.

Two levels of training will be provided :

a) A training course in operation since August(1983) leading to a Diploma. This diploma is awarded after two years of training for students holding "A" level qualifications or three years for students holding "O" level qualifications. Students are recruited in accordance with the conditions defined in Annex II, which is an integral part of this Memorandum.

b) A training course leading to an Advanced Diploma. This course is for students as defined in Annex II.

¹ Came into force with retroactive effect from 20 January 1992, in accordance with article 11.

2) The Institute will develop all the training materials, programmes, pedagogic methods, evaluation and selection systems required for the above courses.

3) The Institute will help French companies who wish to establish technical co-operation links with Singaporean industrial partners in their areas of activities. The Institute will act as a showcase for French technology and will support companies wishing to set up in Singapore. As a priority the graduates of the Institute will be deployed to French companies established in Singapore which will provide them with jobs relevant to their training.

4) The Institute will also assist French students who wish to do their final year project in Singaporean companies. The Institute will therefore help in identifying training opportunities in the disciplines relevant to its programme and assist sponsoring companies on immigration formalities.

5) Technical French language is one of the compulsory subjects taught at the Institute, in the same way as the scientific and technical subjects.

Article 3

1) The Institute has a total student enrolment capacity of 700 students for the Diploma course and for the Advanced Diploma course.

2) The qualifications for candidates admitted is in accordance with the requirements described in Annex II.

Article 4

a) The Institute is considered a distinct project in order to guarantee its originality within the Singapore technical training system.

b) The Institute is managed by the Management Council nominated jointly by the Economic Development Board and the French

Government. The functions of the Council and its membership are set out in Annex III which is an integral part of this Memorandum.

c) The Scientific Director of the Institute is nominated by the French party with the consent of the Economic Development Board.

d) The Institute promotes active co-operation between the industrial companies of Singapore and interested French companies.

e) The Institute can accept candidates from other ASEAN countries, on condition that they satisfy the requirements set out in Article 3.2. However, the candidates may have to pass an entrance test and also go for an interview as defined by the Management Council.

Article 5

A.1) The technical assistance from the French Government is as follows :

a) Assistance in the specifications of new equipment such as: machinery, instruments, tools, spare parts, accessories, teaching and learning aids.

b) Assistance in the planning and development of curricula and syllabi.

c) Assistance in the selection and further training of the Singaporean personnel.

d) Full-time secondment of a French Scientific Director entrusted with the following duties :

- advice on programme contents namely identification and recommendations of (technologies and) new technological areas which might be included in the teaching programme of the Institute;

- development of relations between the Institute and industry, particularly relations with French companies;

- development of relations between the Institute and French graduate schools (Ecoles d'Enseignement Supérieur Français) in relevant fields.

- promotion of the Institute in France.

e) Full-time secondments of two French experts including :

- The Head of the French Language Department. (This post is limited to persons of French nationality);

- An expert responsible for the implementation of new teaching programmes, in agreement with general guidelines defined by the Institute.

f) Missions of experts according to the needs of the Institute.

The number and duration of these missions will be decided annually within the terms of this Memorandum based on a report prepared jointly by the Director of the Institute and the Scientific Director. The experts will be chosen in conjunction with the companies concerned. The companies will finance part or all of the missions.

A.2) The financial contribution of the French party :

a) The remuneration of the French Scientific Director of the Institute as mentioned above.

b) The remuneration of the French experts as mentioned above.

c) Provision of the missions mentioned in Article 5.A.1.f., throughout the duration of this co-operation in conjunction, if necessary, with companies.