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[ENGLISH TEXT – TEXTE ANGLAIS]

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PREAMBLE

The Government of the Republic of South Africa and the Government of the Argentine Republic (hereinafter jointly referred to as the “Parties”, and in the singular as “Party”);

INSPIRED by the desire to promote and strengthen friendly bilateral relations and cooperation in the field of sport;

SEEKING to encourage and further develop amicable relations through the exchange of sport programmes, aimed at benefiting the people of both countries; and

BASED on a mutual commitment to the principles of fair play and ethical behaviour in sport;

HEREBY AGREE as follows:

ARTICLE 1

GENERAL OBJECTIVES

- (1) This Agreement provides the framework within which detailed proposals for programmes of co-operation in the field of sport and recreation, at both developmental and high performance levels are to be considered mutually between the Parties on the basis of reciprocity and mutual benefit.
- (2) In so far as either Party is interested in pursuing topics which are outside the direct mandate of the other, an effort shall be made to meet the needs expressed.
- (3) The Parties shall encourage and facilitate, as appropriate, the advancement of contact and cooperation between and through the recognised sport structures of the respective countries.

ARTICLE 2
FIELDS OF COOPERATION

The Parties shall facilitate the implementation of this Agreement in respect of, but not limited to, the following listed programme areas in the field of sport and recreation, to bring about:

- (a) mutual exchange and visits to their respective countries of high level sport officials;
- (b) participation in international festivals and championships to be held in their respective countries;
- (c) participation in sport and sport science seminars arranged in their respective countries;
- (d) exchange of sport teams in order to organise sport camps and friendly events for men and women;
- (e) cooperation between respective sport federations and bodies, including "Sport for All", which is a support and assistance programme for the physically disabled and women;
- (f) cooperation in the field of anti-doping;
- (g) cooperation through, amongst other means, the exchange of information and training in the field of sport;
- (h) visit of experts in the field of physical education;
- (i) facilitation of, as far as possible, the acquisition by each of the Parties of sport goods and other sport equipment;

- (j) cooperation in the field of sport informatics;
- (k) cooperation in the field of sport medicine and its applied science;
- (l) exchange of technical knowledge and experience, in particular with regard to the manufacturing of sport equipment;
- (m) exchange of views regarding issues related to international sport organisations; and
- (n) cooperation in the field of sport, safety and infrastructure.

ARTICLE 3 AUTONOMY OF SPORT BODIES

- (1) The Parties shall, in accordance with the objectives contemplated in this Agreement, encourage the establishment of contact and cooperation between interested governmental and non-governmental institutions, organisations and persons in their respective countries, in the field of sport.
- (2) In the implementation of the provisions of this Agreement, due regard shall be given to the autonomy of the relevant institutions and bodies. Their freedom to enter into contracts and maintain mutual relations shall be recognised, subject to the domestic law of the respective countries.
- (3) The Parties shall encourage cooperation through, amongst other means, the exchange of information and experts, and participation in joint projects.
- (4) The Parties shall encourage and facilitate the advancement of contact and cooperation between and through the recognised sport structures of their respective countries.

ARTICLE 4
FUNDING

The expenses incurred in the implementation of this Agreement shall be paid by the Parties. The sending Party shall bear the international transportation costs and the host Party shall pay for meals, accommodation and local transportation costs.

ARTICLE 5
APPLICABLE LAW

All activities in accordance with the terms of this Agreement shall be subject to the applicable domestic law of the country where the activities are carried out.

ARTICLE 6
SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES

Any dispute arising out of the interpretation or implementation of this Agreement shall be solved amicably through consultations or negotiations between the Parties.

ARTICLE 7
AMENDMENTS

- (1) This Agreement may be amended by mutual consent of the Parties through an Exchange of Notes between the Parties through the diplomatic channel.
- (2) Any amendment effected in accordance with sub-Article (1) shall enter into force on the date of the reply note accepting the proposed amendment.