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and
Ethiopia**

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AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

**THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF
SOUTH AFRICA**

AND

**THE GOVERNMENT OF
THE FEDERAL DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF
ETHIOPIA**

**ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A JOINT
MINISTERIAL COMMISSION**

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PREAMBLE

The Government of the Republic of South Africa and the Government of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia (hereinafter jointly referred to as the “Parties” and separately as a “Party”);

CONSIDERING the General Co-operation Agreement between the Government of the Republic of South Africa and the Government of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia (hereinafter referred to as the “General Co-operation Agreement”) signed on 17 March 2004 in Addis Ababa, which provides for the establishment of a Joint Ministerial Commission;

RECOGNIZING their desire to strengthen and consolidate existing political, economic, trade and investment, technical, scientific, educational, health, social and cultural co-operation relations between the countries;

DESIRING to facilitate the establishment of a Joint Ministerial Commission as provided for in the General Co-operation Agreement to facilitate bilateral co-operation on key issues of mutual concern;

HEREBY AGREE as follows;

ARTICLE 1

Establishment and Composition of a Joint Ministerial Commission

- (1) The Parties hereby agree to establish a Joint Ministerial Commission (hereinafter referred to as the “Commission”) as provided for in the General Co-operation Agreement.
- (2) The Commission shall be constituted at ministerial level and shall comprise the Ministers of Foreign Affairs of the Parties and their experts responsible for agreed fields of co-operation.



ARTICLE 2

Objective of the Commission

The objective of the Commission is to monitor and guide the implementation of the General Co-operation Agreement and other co-operation agreements that the Parties may conclude, and co-ordinate initiatives in this regard.

ARTICLE 3

Areas of Co-operation

- (1) The areas of co-operation shall be as determined in the General Co-operation Agreement. However, these areas may be extended by a decision of the Commission.
- (2) The Commission may propose to the Parties the conclusion of appropriate agreements necessary to give effect to the areas of co-operation.

ARTICLE 4

Functions of the Commission

The functions of the Commission shall be to:

- (a) facilitate, monitor and guide the implementation of the General Co-operation Agreement and other agreements concluded or to be concluded between the Parties;
- (b) co-ordinate the activities of the Parties with a view to achieving the overall objective referred to in Article 2;
- (c) deal with issues related to bilateral co-operation between the Parties;

