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AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF

SOUTH AFRICA

AND

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF CHILE

ON

CO-OPERATION AND MUTUAL ASSISTANCE

IN THE PREVENTION OF DRUG ABUSE AND COMBATING THE

ILLICIT TRAFFIC IN NARCOTIC DRUGS AND PSYCHOTROPIC

SUBSTANCES

PREAMBLE

The Government of the Republic of South Africa and the Government of the Republic of Chile (hereinafter jointly referred to as the "Parties" and separately as a "Party");

RECOGNIZING the friendly relations existing between them and their nationals;

BEING AWARE that the abuse of and illicit traffic in narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances pose a serious threat to the health and well-being of their nationals and the international community, and adversely affect economic, social and cultural activities of their respective countries;

WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK of the United Nations Convention Against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances, concluded in Vienna, on 20 December, 1988, hereinafter referred to as "the 1988 Convention";

DETERMINED TO make their best efforts to assist each other in the prevention and combating of drug abuse and illicit traffic in narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances;

HEREBY AGREE AS FOLLOWS:

ARTICLE I

OBJECTIVES AND SCOPE OF CO-OPERATION

(1) The Parties shall co-operate and assist each other in order to prevent the abuse of drugs and psychotropic substances, to treat, rehabilitate and reintegrate drug abusers, and to prevent and combat the illicit traffic in drugs in accordance with their domestic law as well as their international obligations.

- (2) For the purposes of subArticle (1) the Parties shall -
 - (a) exchange information, strategies and experience in domestic programs for the prevention of drug abuse, and in the treatment, rehabilitation and social reintegration of drug abusers;
 - (b) exchange information to aid in the investigation of crimes and the identification of persons involved therein, and regularly update data on all crimes related to drug abuse and illicit drug trafficking;
 - (c) exchange information to aid in the control and supervision of the trade in precursors and essential chemicals, thus preventing the diversion thereof;
 - (d) exchange information on technical and scientific methods and resources used in the combating, investigation and detection of the said crimes;
 - (e) exchange information on and experience in their respective laws, as amended, and administrative and judicial decisions on the matter;
 - (f) assist each other in such matters as are contained in the 1988 Convention as far as it is within the competency of the central authorities.

ARTICLE 2

IMPLEMENTATION AND EXECUTION OF THE AGREEMENT

- (1) The competent authorities shall co-ordinate their efforts in order to -
 - (a) establish mechanisms to ensure the execution of this Agreement;
 - (b) develop, through the central authorities of each Party, joint programs aimed at fulfilling the objectives of this Agreement;

- (c) evaluate the implementation of the action programs referred to in paragraph(b);
- (d) discuss issues related to the implementation of this Agreement and the development of such other kind of co-operation and assistance as the Parties may deem fit.
- (2) The decisions taken for the purpose of the co-operation contemplated in subArticle (1) shall be in writing and shall include, if appropriate, a list of objectives to be fulfilled, specific goals and evaluation criteria therefor, the contribution of each participant and a time schedule for the execution of activities.

ARTICLE 3

CENTRAL AUTHORITIES

- (1) The Parties designate the following central authorities, who may communicate directly for efficiency of co-operation:
 - (a) In the case of the Republic of Chile, the central authority shall be the Ministry of Interior.
 - (b) In the case of the Republic of South Africa, the central authority shall be the Director-General of the Department of Welfare and Population Development and the National Commissioner of the South African Police Service within their respective spheres of competency.
- (2) The Ministries of Foreign Affairs of the Parties shall be responsible for co-ordinating the implementation and execution of this Agreement.