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**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
ON DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION
BETWEEN
THE GOVERNMENT OF
THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA
AND
THE GOVERNMENT OF AUSTRALIA**

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REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA**

DESIRING to strengthen democratic development and to foster social and economic equality in the Republic of South Africa;

AIMING to cooperate in a Programme of development cooperation to meet the following objectives:

- assist the Government of the Republic of South Africa (in areas identified by South Africa's Reconstruction and Development Programme) in its satisfaction of the basic needs of its people;
- assist in human resource development capacity building and institutional strengthening;
- contribute to the democratisation of the State and society; and
- develop long-term links between Australian and South African institutions; and

ACKNOWLEDGING that the overall responsibility for any development cooperation activity under this Memorandum rests with the Republic of South Africa; and

NOTING that the Program of development cooperation may be implemented through the participation of non-government organisations (NGO's) on the condition that the Minister without Portfolio in charge of the Reconstruction and Development Programme is not required to endorse any relevant arrangements between the Government of Australia and South African NGO's;

HAVE DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

PURPOSE

1. Both Governments will cooperate in a Programme in support of the developmental needs of the Republic of South Africa. The following sectors have been targeted for possible activities:
 - a) Public sector strengthening in, for example, health administration and management, telecommunications, statistical collection and analysis, education, housing policy, water management, mining and international finance management;
 - b) the media;
 - c) constitutional reform and local government;
 - d) economic policy and planning;
 - e) primary health care;

- f) water and sanitation;
- g) basic education (including adult literacy);
- h) agriculture;
- i) micro-enterprise development;
- j) sports;
- k) low-cost housing; and
- l) the trade union movement.

2. In order to give effect to the Programme the two Governments may enter into arrangements in writing for the purpose of carrying out specific projects or activities.

IMPLEMENTATION

The Australian Agency for International Development of the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (AusAID) and the Minister without Portfolio in charge of the Reconstruction and Development Programme will represent their respective Governments in matters concerning the implementation of this Memorandum.

AUSTRALIAN CONTRIBUTION

The Australian Government will, subject to annual Parliamentary approval of appropriations, make available for the purposes of the Programme thirty million Australian dollars (A\$30 million) during the period 1 July 1994 to 30 June 1997.

CONSULTATIONS

Representatives of the two Governments will meet once a year to review activities under this Memorandum.

SETTLEMENT OF DIFFERENCES

To facilitate development cooperation, the two Governments will remain in close consultation and, without delay, make every reasonable effort to resolve obstacles threatening the smooth and efficient implementation of this Memorandum.