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**South Africa
and
Cyprus**

**Memorandum of Understanding between the Government of the Republic of South Africa
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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF
SOUTH AFRICA

AND

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF
CYPRUS

ON

BILATERAL POLITICAL CONSULTATIONS

PREAMBLE

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

DESIROUS to further develop and strengthen the traditional relations of friendship and cooperation and mutual understanding between the two countries and the two peoples;

RECOGNIZING the benefits of holding regular consultations at various levels on bilateral relations and international issues of common concern;

REAFFIRMING their adherence to the objectives and principles of international law and legality, to the Charter of the United Nations and to the United Nations Security Council Resolutions;

Hereby agree as follows:

Article 1

TALKS AND CONSULTATIONS

The Parties will hold talks and consultations on a regular basis to discuss all aspects of their bilateral relations and exchange views on regional and international issues of common concern as well as strengthening cooperation and consultation on issues arising in international and regional organizations. The talks and consultations will cover all political aspects of their bilateral relations, Africa, world political developments, regional and international disputes and conflicts, and strengthening the positive role of the United Nations and other international organizations in resolving disputes and problems confronting the international community.

Article 2

ANNUAL CONSULTATIONS

Consultations within the framework of this Memorandum of Understanding will be held, annually, at senior officials' level of the two Ministries of Foreign Affairs, and/or between the Ministers of Foreign Affairs, alternately in both countries and/or on the sidelines of the annual UN General Assembly, and as necessary and agreed by the Parties.

Article 3

CONSTRUCTIVE COOPERATION

The representatives of the two States to the United Nations and other international organizations will coordinate and consult with each other on all issues of mutual concern in a spirit of constructive cooperation.

Article 4

POSITIONS ON AGENDA ITEMS

The Parties will, through special consultations, coordinate their positions on the agenda items of regular and international conferences.