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et

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#### [ ENGLISH TEXT – TEXTE ANGLAIS ]

## Agreement between the Government of Hungary and the United Nations Children's Fund about the establishment of the United Nations Children's Fund Global Shared Services Center

WHEREAS the United Nations Children's Fund was established by the United Nations General Assembly on 11 November 1946;

**WHEREAS** the United Nations Children's Fund's status, privileges and immunities are governed by the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the United Nations, adopted by the General Assembly on 13 February 1946;

**WHEREAS** the United Nations Children's Fund has decided to outpost a number of administrative and operational support functions to a UNICEF Global Shared Services Center to be located in Budapest, Hungary;

WHEREAS the Government of Hungary welcomes the establishment of the UNICEF Global Shared Services Center in Hungary;

WHEREAS the Government of Hungary and the United Nations Children's Fund wish to establish the terms and conditions under which the UNICEF Global Shared Services Center, within its mandates, shall operate in Hungary;

**NOW THEREFORE**, the Government of Hungary and the United Nations Children's Fund, in the spirit of friendly co-operation, have entered into this Agreement:

### Article I Definitions

For the purpose of the present Agreement the following definitions shall apply:

- a) "UNICEF" shall mean the United Nations Children's Fund;
- b) "Country" shall mean Hungary;
- c) "Government" shall mean the Government of Hungary;
- d) "Parties" shall mean UNICEF and the Government;
- e) "Convention" shall mean the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the United Nations adopted by the General Assembly of the United Nations on 13 February 1946;

- f) "Center" shall mean the UNICEF Global Shared Services Center located in the Country;
- g) "Center premises" means a building or part of a building occupied permanently or temporarily by the Center, and includes any land, buildings or platforms that may from time to time be included, in accordance with this Agreement or supplementary Agreements concluded between the Parties. For the avoidance of doubt, the Parties confirm that any other premises in the Country which may be used for meetings, seminars, training courses, symposiums, workshops and similar activities organized by UNICEF in connection with the activities of the Center shall be temporarily regarded as being within the meaning of the "Center premises" for the duration of such meetings, seminars, training courses, symposiums, workshops and similar activities; provided however that the provisions of Article III, paragraph (2) shall not apply to such other premises in the Country referred to in this sentence.
- "UNICEF archives" and "the archives of UNICEF" include but are not limited to all records in whatever form, including without limitation by reason of this enumeration correspondence, documents, manuscripts, computer records and all other electronic records, still and motion pictures, film and sound recordings, belonging to or held by UNICEF;
- i) "Head of Center" shall mean the Manager of the Center, and during his/her absence from duty, the Deputy Manager, or any official designated by him/her to act on his/her behalf;
- j) "UNICEF officials" shall mean all members of the staff of UNICEF employed under the Staff Regulations and Rules of the United Nations, regardless of nationality, with the exception of persons who are recruited locally and assigned to hourly rates as provided in General Assembly resolution 76 (I) of 7 December 1946;
- k) "Experts on mission" shall mean individuals, other than UNICEF officials, performing missions for UNICEF;
- "UNICEF personnel" shall mean UNICEF officials, experts on mission, and other personnel of UNICEF who are invited to the Center by UNICEF on official business, and persons who are both recruited locally and assigned to hourly rates as provided in General Assembly resolution 76 (I) of 7 December 1946.

#### Article II Co-operation between the Government and UNICEF

- 1. The Government assures UNICEF that the Center, as well as the UNICEF personnel assigned to it and all other UNICEF personnel, will enjoy treatment not less favourable than that accorded by the Government to any other intergovernmental or international organizations or other United Nations agencies, funds or programmes present in the Country and their respective personnel.
- 2. The Government, in agreement with UNICEF, shall take any measure which may be necessary to exempt UNICEF personnel from regulations or other legal provisions which may interfere with operations and projects carried out under this Agreement or any supplementary Agreement concluded between the Parties, and shall grant them such other facilities as may be necessary for the speedy and efficient execution of the work of the Center.

## Article III The Center and Government Contribution

- 1. The Government welcomes that UNICEF establishes and maintains the Center in the Country for providing such administrative and operational support services as are assigned by UNICEF.
- 2. The Government shall provide to UNICEF:
  - a) Free of charge, for a period of at least fifteen (15) years from the entry into force of this Agreement and for such further period as may be agreed between the Parties and approved through the required procedures of each Party, appropriate and adequate office premises for the Center and its installations, together with office furniture and other facilities which the Parties agree are suitable for the operations of the Center, all as indicated in a supplementary Agreement concluded between the Parties;
  - b) To the extent requested by the Head of Center, the supply of public services necessary for performing the work of the Center, including, without limitation by reason of this enumeration, electricity, water, sewerage, fire protection, collecting refuse and gas, as indicated in a supplementary Agreement concluded between the Parties.
- 3. The Government shall ensure the security and protection of the Center premises and exercise due diligence to ensure that the tranquility of the Center premises is not

disturbed by the unauthorized entry of persons or groups of persons from outside or by disturbances in its immediate vicinity. If so requested by the Head of Center, the competent authorities shall provide adequate police force necessary for the preservation of law and order in the Center premises or in its immediate vicinity, and for the removal of persons therefrom.

- 4. The Government shall take such effective and adequate action which may be required to ensure the appropriate security, safety and protection of persons referred to in this Agreement, indispensable for the proper functioning of the Center free from interference of any kind.
- 5. In case of incidents or events resulting in a complete or partial disruption of the Center's telecommunications or the utilities services mentioned above, the Center shall, for the performance of its functions, be accorded the same priority given to essential governmental agencies and organs.

### Article IV UNICEF Personnel

UNICEF may assign to the Center such UNICEF officials or other UNICEF personnel as it deems necessary for carrying out the particular functions assigned to the Center.

#### Article V Privileges and Immunities

- 1. The Government shall apply to UNICEF, its property, funds and assets, and to UNICEF personnel, the relevant provisions of the Convention to which the Government became a party on 30 July 1956. The Government also agrees to grant to UNICEF and UNICEF personnel such additional privileges and immunities as may be necessary for carrying out the particular functions assigned to the Center.
- 2. Without prejudice to paragraph (1) of this Article, the Government shall in particular extend to UNICEF and its personnel the privileges, immunities, rights and facilities provided in articles VI to VIII of this Agreement.
- 3. Persons other than UNICEF officials, who are members of UNICEF missions, or who are invited to a UNICEF office by UNICEF on official business, shall be accorded the privileges and immunities specified in Article VIII below, except those specified in paragraphs (h), (j), (m), and (n) of paragraph (2) of that Article.