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28 February 1979

AGREEMENT ESTABLISHING THE ASIAN RICE TRADE FUND DONE AT BANGKOK ON 16 MARCH 1973

AMENDMENTS PROPOSED TO ARTICLE 1 (i) AND (iii) OF THE ABOVE-MENTIONED AGREEMENT

Sir,

I have the honour, upon instructions from the Secretary-General, to refer to the Agreement establishing the Asian Rice Trade Fund, done at Bangkok on 16 March 1973.

In this connexion, I wish to inform you that, in a communication received on 5 February 1979, the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific transmitted to the Secretariat, in accordance with the provisions of article 13 of the above-mentioned Agreement, a resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of the Asian Rice Trade Fund proposing certain amendments to article 1 (i) and (iii) of the Agreement.

In accordance with the provisions of article 17 (ii) of the Agreement, you will find attached herewith a certified copy of the abovementioned resolution.

In application of the provisions of article 13 of the Agreement, the proposed amendments will come into effect immediately on acceptance by all members of the Fund. In this connexion, it will be recalled that according to the international practice that the Secretary-General feels obliged to follow, acceptances should be notified to him under the signature of the Head of State, the Head of Government or the Minister for Foreign Affairs, or by an official duly authorized by one of the former authorities.

Accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

John F. Scott

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Acting Director of the General Legal Division in charge of the Office of Legal Affairs

Sent to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Member States

Resolution

Considering the recommendations of the Expert Group meeting to study the Feasibility of the Asian Rice Trade Fund which was held in Bangkok from 3 to 15 July 1978 and decision of the Board of Directors at its second session held in Bangkok on 3 March 1977, the Board of Directors decided at its third session held in Manila on 19 and 20 October 1978 to amend article 1 (i) and (iii) of the Agreement as follows:

Article 1(i)

"Membership in the Rice Fund shall be open to developing countries that are members or associate members of the United Nations Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East and are exporters or importers of rice"

is amended to be read:

"Membership in the Rice Fund shall be open to all members or associate members of the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific that are exporters or importers of rice."

Article 1 (iii)

"Other eligible developing countries as specified in clause (i) above may apply for membership of the Rice Fund and may become members on the unanimous decision of all of the existing members of the Rice Fund and by accession to this Agreement"

is amended to be read:

"Other eligible countries as specified in clause (i) above may apply for membership of the Rice Fund and may become members on the sponsorship of one of the existing members and by accession to this Agreement."

(Signature) on 10 Jan. 1979 at Manila.

Jesus T. Tanchanco

Chairman

of the Board of Directors of the Asian Rice Trade Fund

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22 May 1979

AGREEMENT ESTABLISHING THE ASIAN RICE TRADE FUND DONE AT BANGKOK ON 16 MARCH 1973

CORRIGENDUM TO LETTER C.N.26.1979.TREATIES-1 OF 26 FEBRUARY 1979

Sir,

I have the honour, upon instructions from the Secretary-General, to refer to letter C.N.26.1979.TREATIES-1 of 28 February 1979, communicating the text, in English and French, of a resolution proposing certain amendments to article 1 (i) and (iii) of the Agreement establishing the Asian Rice Trade Fund, done at Bangkok on 16 March 1973.

In this connexion, I wish to draw your attention to the fact that certain errors of translation exist in the French version of the resolution annexed to the above-mentioned letter.

The corrections to be effected are as follows:

Fourth line of the first paragraph of the resolution:

instead of:

"... le 3 mars, 1978, ..."

read

"... le 3/mars 1977 ..."

Second and third lines of the second sub-paragraph of the resolution:

instead of:

"... Commission économique des Nations Unies pour l'Asie et l'Extrême-Orient ..."

read:

"... Commission économique et sociale des Nations Unies pour l'Asie et le Pacifique ..."

Accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideraton.

John F. Scott

Acting Director of the General Legal Division in charge of the Office of Legal Affairs