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CULTURAL CONVENTION' BETWEEN THE STATE OF ISRAEL AND THE KINGDOM OF SPAIN

The State of Israel and the Kingdom of Spain, wishing to reinforce the friendly relations between the two countries and to develop their relations in the educational, scientific, cultural and artistic areas, and specially the Sephardi legacy, have agreed as follows:

Article One

Both parties shall encourage

(a) Cooperation between universities, institutions of scientific research, centres for teacher training, centres for artistic teaching and centres for secondary education in the two countries.

(b) Visits and exchanges of university professors, researchers, lecturers, experts and students of the two countries.

Article Two

Both parties, in order to ensure the dissemination of the languages and the culture of the other party, shall encourage the establishment and development of professional chairs, teaching posts and courses of the languages, literature, history and art of the other party in their respective official academic institutions, and shall endeavour to facilitate the teaching of the languages, literature and history of the other party in their respective educational institutions.

Article Three

Each party may establish and maintain cultural institutions in the territory of the other party, in accordance with their internal legal provisions, and subject to agreement between the parties.

Article Four

The parties shall encourage the activities of local cultural and friendship associations or institutions which contribute to the dissemination of the languages and the culture of both parties.

Article Five

Both parties shall consider the necessary terms and modalities for the mutual recognition of degrees and titles, both at university level and at secondary level, subject to the laws and regulations in each of the two countries.

Article Six

Both parties shall encourage the exchange of cultural activities, experts and artists in the areas of fine arts, theatre, music, dance, cinematography, books and literature, libraries, museums and archives.

¹ Came into force on 20 August 1987 by the exchange of the instruments of ratification, which took place at Jerusalem, in accordance with article 14.

Article Seven

Both parties shall, within the framework of their respective legislations, encourage cooperation in the field of archaeological research and excavations, as well as the restoration and preservation of historical monuments, works of art and manuscripts.

Article Eight

Both parties shall promote the dissemination of the culture of the other party through radio, television and other media.

Article Nine

Both parties shall promote cooperation in the field of youth and youth exchange.

Article Ten

Both parties shall support exchanges and cooperation in the area of physical education and sports, as well as contacts between the sports organisations of the two countries.

Article Eleven

Both parties shall favour the granting of study and specialization scholarships to students and researchers of the other party.

Article Twelve

Each party may suggest the conclusion of supplementary agreements that could become necessary for the development of programmes of cooperation in the areas of education, science, culture and arts.

Article Thirteen

For the purpose of ensuring the execution of this Convention, a permanent Mixed Committee will meet at least once every three years, alternatively in Spain and in Israel, the date and place of the first meeting to be fixed through diplomatic channels.

The Mixed Committee shall be empowered to:

- Set the details for the execution of the provisions of this Convention;
- Supervise its implementation;
- Establish the financial and organisational conditions to cary out the exchanges envisaged by the same;
- Create sub-committees, when necessary, for the implementation of this Convention.

Article Fourteen

This Convention shall enter into force on the date of the exchange of the instruments of ratification. The Convention shall remain valid for a period of five years, beginning on the date it enters into force, and shall be automatically extended for additional periods of five years each, unless one of the parties submits to the other a written notice of termination, not less than six months prior to the expiration of a five-year period.

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DONE in Madrid this 9 day of February 1987, which corresponds to the 10th day of Shevat 5747, in two originals in the Hebrew, Spanish and English languages, all three texts being equally authentic.

[Signed]

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