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[TRANSLATION — TRADUCTION]

TREATY¹ BETWEEN THE REPUBLIC OF AUSTRIA AND THE
POLISH PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC ON CO-OPERATION IN THE
FIELD OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

The Republic of Austria and the Polish People's Republic (hereinafter referred to as the "Contracting Parties"),

Desiring to promote co-operation between the two countries in the field of environmental protection,

And having decided to ensure the best possible protection of the environment in the two States in conformity with the goals and principles contained in the resolutions of the United Nations Conference on the Human Environment, held at Stockholm in 1972,² and in the Final Act of the Conference on Security and Co-operation in Europe,³ and in accordance with the multilateral agreements in the field of environmental protection which are binding on the two Contracting Parties,

Have agreed to conclude the following Agreement:

Article 1

The Contracting Parties shall promote co-operation in the field of environmental protection and shall concentrate their efforts on the solution of problems of interest to the two Parties, which they have designated as being of prime importance.

Article 2

1. Cooperation shall encompass primarily:

- (a) Methods of measuring and reducing pollutants in the air;
- (b) Identification of the causes of damage to forests and measures for its reduction;
- (c) Prevention, utilization and safe disposal of wastes;
- (d) Exchange of experience and information regarding measures for soil protection;
- (e) Exchange of experience and information regarding measures for the protection of bodies of water;
- (f) Environmental education.

2. Cooperation shall be carried out in the following forms:

- (a) Exchange of experience in the planning and organization of the protection and management of the environment, and of relevant applied research;

¹ Came into force on 1 March 1990, i.e., the first day of the third month after the expiry of the month in which the Contracting Parties notified each other (on 14 and 22 December 1989) that it had been approved in conformity with their constitutional requirements, in accordance with article 7.

² *Report of the United Nations Conference on the Human Environment*, Stockholm, 5 to 16 June 1972, A/CONF.48/14/REV.1.

³ (Helsinki Conference), see *International Legal Materials*, vol. 14 (1975) p. 1292 (American Society of International Law).