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MUTUAL AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF INDIA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF ZAMBIA TO COMBAT ILLICIT TRAFFICKING IN NARCOTIC DRUGS AND PSYCHOTROPIC SUBSTANCES AND MONEY LAUNDERING

The Government of the Republic of India and the Government of the Republic of Zambia, hereinafter referred to as the contracting parties,

BEARING in mind the existing problems of illicit trafficking in narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances in which both territories have been mainly used as transit points by international drug traffickers,

HAVING due regard for consequences which both territories suffer from spill over effects leading to increase in narcotic drug abuse amongst their populations, and

DESIROUS of co-operating in the field of combating illicit trafficking in narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances within the parameters laid down by various United Nations Conventions and particularly the recent convention on illicit trafficking adopted in December, 1988,2 through mutual assistance,

HEREBY AGREE AS FOLLOWS:

ARTICLE 1: COMBATING DRUG-TRAFFICKING

(1) The contracting parties resolve and commit themselves to cooperate in combating illicit trafficking in narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances,

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² United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 1582, No. I-27627.

particularly in such cases which might take place in either territory and having ramification in the other.

- (2) The contracting parties shall intensify their efforts by cooperating with each other to check the menace of trafficking in and abuse of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances.
- (3) The contracting parties shall designate agencies and officers through whom regular exchange of information and intelligence may be effected.

ARTICLE 2 NODAL AGENCIES

- (1) In matters relating to illicit drug trafficking, the nodal agency shall be the Narcotics Control Bureau in respect of the Republic of India and Drug Enforcement Commission in respect of the Government of the Republic of Zambia.
- (2) The postal address, telephone and telex numbers of the nodal agencies and the contact officers shall be exchanged by the contracting parties including any change from time to time.

ARTICLE 3 EXCHANGE OF INTELLIGENCE OR INFORMATION

- (1) The nature of intelligence or information which may be exchanged between the parties shall include:
 - (a) operational intelligence which shall be communicated through the fastest means of communication;

- (b) information of a detailed nature which shall be communicated through correspondence in order to build up Dossiers in respect of smugglers, suspects, financiers and organisers.
- (2) The exchange of operational intelligence shall include the exchange of ideas for planning and implementation of controlled delivery operations as defined in the latest United Nations Convention on illicit trafficking.
- (3) Modalities for controlled delivery shall be worked out on a case to case basis by the contact officers of the contracting parties.
- (4) The contracting parties shall exchange information on routes, new methods and means used for drug trafficking and emerging trends in the field.
- (5) The contracting parties shall extend maximum cooperation with regard to the exchange of information in all cases.
- (6) In respect of specific cases of importance, priority shall be clearly indicated in the communication of the requesting country so that the cases are pursued with the urgency they deserve.

ARTICLE 4: EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION ON DRUG TRAFFICKING.

- (1) Information regarding suspected drug traffickers operating between the two territories shall be exchanged in accordance with the prescribed formats in Annexure-I and II.
- (2) The normal mode of exchange of information and operational intelligence on matters relating to drug