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UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND and BELARUS

Agreement on economic cooperation. Signed at London on 1 March 1994

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Enregistré par le Royaume-Uni de Grande-Bretagne et d'Irlande du Nord le 3 juillet 1995.

AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF BELARUS ON ECONOMIC CO-OPERATION

The Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Republic of Belarus (named below jointly as "the Parties" and separately as "the Party");

Considering economic relations as an important and necessary element in the strengthening of bilateral relations;

Being convinced that the development of bilateral economic co-operation will further the improvement of the prosperity of the peoples of each country;

Expressing confidence that the widening of economic co-operation between the Parties and the peoples of each country including direct contacts between Belarusian organisations, companies and citizens and British organisations, companies and citizens (hereinafter referred to as "nationals and legal persons") will be an important step on the path towards the integration of the Republic of Belarus into the world economic system;

Desiring to establish a basis for economic co-operation between the two countries;

Confirming their wish to develop economic co-operation in accordance with the principles and provisions of the Helsinki Final Act (August 1975), the Paris Charter for a New Europe (November 1990),² the Helsinki Document of 1992³ and with the other documents of the Conference on Security and Co-operation in Europe and in accordance with the Document of the Bonn Conference on Economic Co-operation in Europe (March-April 1990),4 with the European Energy Charter (December 1991)5 and The Joint Declaration between the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Republic of Belarus (October 1993);

Have agreed as follows:

ARTICLE 1

The Parties shall seek, in accordance with the principles of a market economy and of private enterprise, to promote co-operation between businesses in the two countries in different areas of economic activity.

¹ Came into force on 1 March 1994 by signature, in accordance with article 16.

² International Legal Materials, vol. XIV (1975), p. 1292 (American Society of International Law). ³ United Nations, Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-fifth Session, document A/45/859.

⁴ Ibid., Forty-seventh Session, document A/47/361-S/24370.

⁵ International Legal Materials, vol. XXIX, No. 4 (1990) p. 1054 (American Society of International Law).