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and
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[TRANSLATION — TRADUCTION]

AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE FRENCH REPUBLIC AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE KINGDOM OF SWEDEN CONCERNING COOPERATION IN DEFENCE *MATÉRIEL* RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, PRODUCTION AND PROCUREMENT AND THE BROADENING OF INDUSTRIAL COOPERATION

The Government of the French Republic, represented by the Minister of Defence, and the Government of the Kingdom of Sweden, represented by the Minister of Defence (hereinafter called the Parties),

Recognizing that they have a common need for certain defence *matériel*,

Welcoming the cooperation established in the framework of the Security Agreement² and Protocol concerning certain exchanges of secret information signed on 22 and 26 October 1973, respectively,

Recognizing further the cooperation efforts currently being made by the defence procurement services and manufacturers in their two countries,

Considering that each country would derive benefit from a strengthening of cooperation in defence *matériel* research, development, production and procurement, and from a broadening of industrial cooperation,

Have agreed as follows:

1. This Agreement shall be implemented by each Party in accordance with its domestic legislation. Each Party, within the limit of its resources and its constitutional powers, shall ensure the implementation of this Agreement, provided that such implementation is consistent with its international obligations. Any agreement concluded subsequently between one of the Parties and a third party shall be without prejudice to the implementation of this Agreement or to the obligations of the Parties thereunder.

2. With a view to improving the capacity of their industries working directly or indirectly for defence by more effectively exploiting resources, the two Parties shall endeavour to promote cooperation in the fields of research, development, production, procurement and trade.

The two Parties shall endeavour to develop cooperation in the mutual utilization of their test facilities.

The two Parties shall exchange information and views with respect to industrial defence policy.

3. Aware of the importance of the participation of industry in research and development, and in the manufacture and procurement of defence *matériel*, the two Parties shall encourage the consideration of proposals that could enhance the participation of industry in the two countries.

¹ Came into force on 7 March 1993 by signature, in accordance with article 10.

² United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 1019, p. 65.