No. 33354

UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND and RUSSIAN FEDERATION

Agreement on science and technology cooperation. Signed at Moscow on 28 May 1996

Authentic texts: English and Russian.

Registered by the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland on 5 November 1996.

ROYAUME-UNI DE GRANDE-BRETAGNE ET D'IRLANDE DU NORD et FÉDÉRATION DE RUSSIE

Accord de coopération scientifique et technique. Signé à Moscou le 28 mai 1996

Textes authentiques : anglais et russe.

Enregistré par le Royaume-Uni de Grande-Bretagne et d'Irlande du Nord le 5 novembre 1996.

AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY COOPERATION

The Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Russian Federation, hereinafter referred to as the "Parties".

Realising that international cooperation in science and technology will strengthen the bonds of friendship and mutual understanding between their peoples and will advance the state of science and technology to the benefit of both countries, as well as all mankind;

Convinced that bilateral cooperation in the field of science and technology is an important component of their bilateral relations;

Considering bilateral science and technology cooperation as an important contribution to the development of the economy of each country;

Taking into consideration the positive experience accumulated by the two countries in developing science and technology relations and recognising their desire to expand co-operation;

Desiring to bring bilateral cooperation in the field of science and technology into accord with new political, economic and social realities;

Taking into account provisions of the Russian-British Agreement on Principles of Interrelations signed in 1992:

Have agreed as follows:

ARTICLE I

The purposes of this Agreement are to broaden and expand relations between the scientific and technological communities in both countries by creating favourable conditions for cooperation and to develop science and technology cooperation on a mutually beneficial and balanced basis.

ARTICLE II

- (1) The Parties shall encourage co-operative activities, which under this Agreement may be implemented in the following form:
- (a) Meetings and deliberations of experts for discussion and exchange of information on scientific and technological aspects of general or specific subjects and to identify research and development projects and programmes that may be usefully undertaken on a cooperative basis;

¹ Came into force on 28 May 1996 by signature, in accordance with article XI.