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AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE ARGENTINE REPUBLIC AND THE STATE OF ISRAEL ON COOPERATION IN HOMELAND AND PUBLIC SECURITY ISSUES

The Argentine Republic and the State of Israel (hereinafter referred to jointly as the "Parties", and separately as the "Party"),

Recognizing their mutual interests in cooperation in order to protect their population, assets and interests from threats;

Emphasizing their common interest to fight crime and ensure public security;

Interested in enhancing their cooperation through the sharing of knowledge, experience, information, technology and scientific research and development of each Party in order to obtain more efficient results in the areas covered by this Agreement;

Have agreed as follows:

Article 1 - GOALS

The goals of this Agreement are:

- a. To direct and coordinate the identification and implementation of cooperation between the Parties in the area of homeland and public security.
- b. To facilitate cooperation between the Parties and between their relevant governmental institutions in the field of homeland and public security.

Article 2 - COMPETENT AUTHORITIES

The implementation of this Agreement shall be carried out by the following Competent Authorities:

- a. On behalf of the Argentine Republic, the Ministry of Security (hereinafter referred to as "MOS");
- b. On behalf of the State of Israel, the Ministry of Public Security (hereinafter referred to as "IMPS").

Article 3 - AREAS OF COOPERATION

The areas of cooperation shall include, *inter alia*, the following areas, to the extent they are under the competence of the Competent Authorities:

- a. Law enforcement against organized crime, trafficking in persons, money laundering, illicit trafficking of narcotic drugs, psychotropic substances and precursors, cyber crimes, and other serious crimes;
- b. Public security in public events/ mass gatherings;
- c. Crime and Delinquency prevention;
- d. Investigation and intelligence for public security:
- e. Science and technology, as applied to public security;
- f. Emergency management;
- g. Bomb disposal unit, inter alia, improvised explosives materials and long range explosives detection;
- Critical infrastructure protection;
- i. Criminal analysis and forensics.

Article 4 - FORMS OF COOPERATION

The cooperation between the Parties shall be promoted through the following measures, to the extent they are under the competence of the Competent Authorities:

- a. Integrating and coordinating the identification, prioritization, and implementation of joint efforts between the Parties in the area of homeland and public security;
- b. Managing of approved joint activities within the scope of this Agreement:
- c. Establishing clear lines of communication and points of contact between the Parties as part of an ongoing process of dialogue and partnership in pursuing common goals;
- d. Sharing of knowledge, experience, expertise, information, and research and best practices;
- e. Identifying and sharing of public safety concerns on the basis of threats, risk assessments, priorities, vulnerabilities, and consequences;
- f. Facilitating technical and technological exchange of knowhow, including education, training, exercises and procurement of equipment and services.

Article 5 - CYBERCRIME

- 1. Each Party shall designate a point of contact with the necessary availability in order to ensure, as immediately as the case requires, the provision of assistance for the purpose of investigations or proceedings concerning criminal offences related to computer systems and data, or for the collection of evidence in electronic form of a criminal offence (including in real time, where appropriate/feasible) regarding the following matters:
- a. the commission of an offence using computer networks or electronic information:
- b. The preservation and production of data in cases where there are grounds to believe that the data will otherwise disappear;
- threats to public order and/or national security of the requesting party.
- 2. Each Party shall ensure that trained and equipped personnel are available in order to facilitate the handling of such requests.
- 3. The Parties will collaborate in identifying natural or legal persons involved in the sexual exploitation of children.

Article 6 - EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION

Regarding exchange of information, the Parties agree to:

- a. Ensure the appropriate protection of all classified information, knowledge and expertise that is exchanged between them against any unauthorized access, alteration, publication or dissemination;
- b. Protect any classified information, knowledge and expertise that is exchanged between them against disclosure to any third party, with the same degree of care as they each exercise with their own classified information, knowledge and expertise of a similar nature;
- c. Ensure that information and documents transmitted in the framework of cooperation under this Agreement may be provided to third States and international organizations only with the written consent of the transmitting Party, subject to such conditions and restrictions as may be specified by the Transmitting Party.