

**CO-OPERATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN  
THE EUROPEAN CENTRE FOR MEDIUM-RANGE WEATHER FORECASTS  
AND THE REPUBLIC OF HUNGARY**

*Approved by the Council at its 40<sup>th</sup> session (June 1994)  
(ECMWF/C/40/M(94)1 para. 73 and Annex 3)  
Entry into force of the Agreement on 1 July 1994*

**I European Centre for Medium-Range Weather Forecasts**

Reading, 2 June 1994

His Excellency Mr. János Gyurkó  
Minister for the Environment and Regional Policy  
of the Republic of Hungary  
Budapest

Your Excellency,

As provided for by Article 3 of the Convention establishing the European Centre for Medium-Range Weather Forecasts (hereinafter referred to as the Convention);

Considering that the Republic of Hungary wishes in accordance with international meteorological traditions to co-operate with the European Centre for Medium-Range Weather Forecasts (hereinafter referred to as the Centre);

Noting that a Europe Agreement, establishing an association, has been concluded between the European Communities and the Republic of Hungary;

The Centre agrees to conclude a Co-operation Agreement with the Republic of Hungary in the following terms:

**Article 1**

Being in full agreement with the objectives of the Centre as defined in Article 2 of the Convention, Hungary shall make available to the Centre all meteorological observations made or collected by Government agencies or institutions, as required.

**Article 2**

Hungary shall be granted, free of charge, for its own requirements in the field of weather forecasting, a non-exclusive licence and any other non-exclusive rights of use in respect of industrial property rights, computer programs and technical information which result from work carried out pursuant to the Convention and which belong to the Centre.

### **Article 3**

Unless otherwise agreed between the parties, the products received from the Centre under the terms of this Agreement may not be communicated to third parties (non-Member Governments or private entities), nor sold for commercial purposes. Hungary will adhere to the rules and guidelines governing the distribution of results from the Centre's work, and the dissemination of the Centre's products, adopted by the Council of the Centre and applying to the Member States.

### **Article 4**

The application and utilisation of the products received from the Centre under the terms of this agreement shall in no way engage the responsibility of the Centre.

### **Article 5**

The results of the studies and research provided for in Article 2(1)(a) and (c) and the data referred to in Article 2(1)(b) and (d) of the Convention will be made available to the meteorological office of Hungary in the same form as to the meteorological offices of the Member States.

### **Article 6**

The Centre shall not incur any expenses in connection with the submission of its meteorological products to Hungary or with the establishment or maintenance of a telecommunication link between the Centre and Hungary.

### **Article 7**

Hungary shall have access to the training facilities of the Centre under the same selection procedure as applies to the Member States of the Centre. The Centre shall not incur any expenses in relation to the travel and subsistence costs of trainees from Hungary.

### **Article 8**

- i) The annual contribution of Hungary to the Centre shall be one half of the contribution that Hungary would have to pay under the provisions of Article 13(1) of the Convention were it a Member State.
- ii) The annual contribution of Hungary to the Centre shall be paid in accordance with Articles 12 and 13 of the Convention. One half of the annual contribution shall be paid before 20 January and the remaining half before 1 June of the financial year concerned.
- iii) In the event of Hungary requesting special services not provided for in this Agreement, Hungary and the Centre shall enter into an additional agreement which shall lay down the terms and conditions of implementation, the nature of any possible contribution and the remuneration for the services rendered.

## **Article 9**

With regard to the single additional contribution provided for by Article 13(3), second subparagraph, of the Convention, Hungary shall pay a similar contribution which shall be one half of the amount that Hungary would have to pay were it a Member State, but shall make a contribution only for expenditure incurred by the Centre for the ten year period immediately prior to this agreement coming into force; the amount to be reduced by an amount corresponding to the operational costs of the Centre during that period.

## **Article 10**

The single additional contribution from Hungary shall be paid in five instalments, 20% of the contribution being paid before the end of the year in which this agreement is concluded and 20% in each of the four financial years following the year in which the agreement is concluded.

## **Article 11**

11.1 With regard to representation at sessions of the Council and its Advisory Committees, Hungary shall be a member of the Advisory Committee of Co-operating States (ACCS).

11.2 The ACCS shall be invited to be represented at sessions of the Council and its relevant Advisory Committees by its Chairperson.

## **Article 12**

Any dispute between the parties concerning the interpretation or the application of the provisions of this or any additional agreement subsequently entered into, which cannot be settled through direct negotiation, shall be referred to arbitration on the request of either of the parties. The arbitration procedure shall be in accordance with the provision laid down in Article 17 of the Convention.

## **Article 13**

In the case of armed conflict resulting in the rupture of communications between the Centre and Hungary neither party shall be held responsible for failing to fulfil its obligation under this agreement. In this case either party shall be entitled to suspend the implementation of the agreement, by unilateral decision or by mutual agreement with the other party.

## **Article 14**

- i) This co-operation agreement shall be terminated either by dissolution of the Centre or by denunciation in writing by either party.
- ii) Denunciation by either party shall take effect at the end of the second financial year following the year during which notice is given and Hungary shall remain bound to contribute in accordance with the provisions of Article 8 of this agreement towards financing all commitments entered into by the Centre before such denunciation.

If the proposed agreement is acceptable to the Republic of Hungary, I have the honour to propose that this letter, together with your reply in that sense, shall constitute an agreement between the European Centre for Medium-Range Weather Forecasts and the Republic of Hungary, which shall enter into force on the first day of the month following that in which your reply is dated.

Accept, Your Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

(sgd) David Burridge  
Director

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## **II Republic of Hungary - Minister of Environment and Regional Policy**

Budapest, 24 June 1994

Dr. David Burridge  
Director  
European Centre for Medium-Range Weather Forecasts  
Reading

Dear Dr. Burridge,

With reference to your letter dated 2 June 1994 I am informing you that the republic of Hungary completely agrees with all terms of the co-operation agreement between the European Centre for Medium-Range Weather Forecasts and the Republic of Hungary, the details of which are as follows:

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Since this agreement is acceptable to both the European Centre for Medium-Range Weather Forecasts and the Republic of Hungary, I agree that this reply together with your letter of 2 June 1994, shall constitute an agreement between the European Centre for Medium-Range Weather Forecasts and the Republic of Hungary, which shall enter into force on the first day of the month following 24 June 1994.

Accept the assurances of my highest consideration.

*(sgd)* Mr. János Gyurkó  
Minister for the Environment and Regional Policy  
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