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THE TEXTS OF THE AGENCY'S RELATIONSHIP AGREEMENTS  
WITH SPECIALIZED AGENCIES

The text of the relationship agreement which the Agency has concluded with the Inter-Governmental Maritime Consultative Organization, together with the protocol authenticating it, is reproduced in this document for the information of all Members of the Agency.

A. Agreement[ 1 ]

AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE  
INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY  
AND THE  
INTER-GOVERNMENTAL MARITIME CONSULTATIVE ORGANIZATION

ARTICLE I

Co-operation and Consultation

1. The International Atomic Energy Agency (hereinafter referred to as "the Agency") and the Inter-Governmental Maritime Consultative Organization (hereinafter referred to as "the Organization") agree that, with a view to facilitating the effective attainment of the objectives set forth in their respective constitutional instruments, within the general framework established by the Charter of the United Nations, they will act in close co-operation with each other and will consult each other regularly in regard to matters of common interest.
2. The Organization recognizes the responsibilities of the Agency as set forth in the Statute of the Agency, and as recognized in the agreement between the United Nations and the Agency and the exchange of letters which accompanied that agreement. In particular, the Organization recognizes that the Agency, by virtue of its Statute and its primary responsibility in the field of the peaceful uses of atomic energy, including the establishment or adoption of standards of safety for protection of health and minimization of danger to life and property, has a corresponding concern in the co-ordination and world-wide activities in this field.
3. The Agency recognizes the responsibilities of the Organization as set forth in the Convention on the Inter-Governmental Maritime Consultative Organization and recognized in the agreement between the United Nations and the Organization. In particular, the Agency recognizes that the Organization, by virtue of its primary responsibility in technical matters of all kinds affecting shipping engaged in international trade and in the general adoption of the highest practicable standards in matters concerning maritime safety and efficiency of navigation, has a corresponding concern in the co-ordination of world-wide activities in this field.
4. Accordingly, in all cases where either organization proposes to initiate a program or activity on a subject in which the other organization has or may have a substantial interest, the first party shall consult the other at as early a stage as possible and in any event before bringing to finality the program or initiating the activity.

ARTICLE II

Reciprocal Representation

1. The Organization shall be invited to designate representatives to attend the General Conference of the Agency and to participate without vote in the deliberations of that body and, where appropriate, of its commissions and committees with respect to items on their agenda in which the Organization has an interest.
2. The Agency shall be invited to designate representatives to attend the Assembly of the Organization and to participate without vote in the deliberations of that body and, where appropriate, of its committees or commissions with respect to items on their agenda in which the Agency has an interest.
3. The Organization shall be invited, as appropriate, to designate representatives to attend meetings of the Board of Governors of the Agency and to participate without vote in the deliberations of that body and of its commissions and committees with respect to items on their agenda in which the Organization has an interest.

[ 1 ] As indicated in the Protocol that follows, this Agreement came into force on 5 October 1961.

4. The Agency shall be invited, as appropriate, to designate representatives to attend meetings of the Council, the Maritime Safety Committee and their Sub-Committees or Commissions and to participate without vote in their deliberations with respect to items on their agenda in which the Agency has an interest.

5. Appropriate arrangements shall be made by agreement from time to time for the reciprocal representation of the Agency and the Organization at other meetings convened under their respective auspices which consider matters in which the other party has an interest.

### ARTICLE III

#### Exchange of Information and Documents

1. The Agency and the Organization recognize that they may find it necessary to apply certain limitations for the safeguarding of confidential information furnished to them. They therefore agree that nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as requiring either of them to furnish such information as would, in the judgment of the party possessing the information, constitute a violation of the confidence of any of its Members or anyone from whom it has received such information or otherwise interfere with the orderly conduct of its operations.

2. Subject to such arrangements as may be necessary for the safeguarding of confidential material, the Secretariat of the Agency and the Secretariat of the Organization shall keep each other fully informed concerning all current and projected activities and all programs of work which may be of interest to the other party.

3. The Director General of the Agency and the Secretary-General of the Organization or their representatives shall, at the request of either party, arrange for consultation regarding the provision by either party of such special information as may be of interest to the other party.

### ARTICLE IV

#### Proposal of Agenda Items

The Agency and the Organization shall consult each other as may be necessary with a view to including in the agenda of the meetings referred to in Article II, items which have been submitted by either party. Items submitted by either party for consideration by the other shall be accompanied by an explanatory memorandum.

### ARTICLE V

#### Co-operation between Secretariats

The Secretariat of the Agency and the Secretariat of the Organization shall maintain a close working relationship in accordance with such arrangements as may have been agreed upon from time to time by the Director General of the Agency and the Secretary-General of the Organization.

### ARTICLE VI

#### Administrative and Technical Co-operation

The Agency and the Organization agree to consult each other from time to time regarding the most efficient use of personnel and resources and appropriate methods of avoiding the establishment and operations of competitive or overlapping facilities and service.

## ARTICLE VII

### Statistical Services

In view of the desirability of maximum co-operation in the statistical field and of minimizing the burden placed on national governments and other organizations from which information may be collected, the Agency and the Organization undertake to avoid undesirable duplication between them with respect to the collection, compilation and publication of statistics and to consult with each other on the most efficient use of information, resources and technical personnel in the field of statistics.

## ARTICLE VIII

### Personnel Arrangements

The Agency and the Organization agree that measures to be taken by them, within the framework of any general arrangements for co-operation in regard to personnel matters which are made by the United Nations, will include:

- (a) Measures to avoid competition in the recruitment of their personnel; and
- (b) Measures to facilitate interchange of personnel on a temporary or permanent basis, in appropriate cases, in order to obtain the maximum benefit from their services, making due provision for the protection of the seniority, pension and other rights of the personnel concerned.

## ARTICLE IX

### Financing of Special Services

If compliance with a request for assistance made by either party to the other would involve substantial expenditure for the party complying with the request, consultation shall take place with a view to determining the most equitable manner of meeting such expenditure.

## ARTICLE X

### Implementation of the Agreement

The Director General of the Agency and the Secretary-General of the Organization may enter into such arrangements for the implementation of this Agreement as may be found desirable in the light of the operating experience of the two parties.

## ARTICLE XI

### Notification to the United Nations and Filing and Recording

1. In accordance with their respective agreements with the United Nations, the Agency and the Organization will inform the United Nations forthwith of the terms of the present Agreement.
2. On the coming into force of the present Agreement in accordance with the provisions of Article XIII, it will be communicated to the Secretary-General of the United Nations for filing and recording.

ARTICLE XII

Revision and Termination

1. This Agreement shall be subject to revision by agreement between the Agency and the Organization.
2. It may be terminated by either party on 31 December of any year by notice given not later than 30 June of that year.

ARTICLE XIII

Entry into Force

This Agreement shall come into force on its approval by the General Conference of the Agency and by the Assembly of the Organization.

B. Protocol

PROTOCOL

This Agreement was approved by the Assembly of the Inter-Governmental Maritime Consultative Organization on 13 April 1961 and by the General Conference of the International Atomic Energy Agency on 5 October 1961 and thus, in accordance with the terms of Article XIII, entered into force on that latter date.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Director General of the International Atomic Energy Agency and the Secretary-General of the Inter-Governmental Maritime Consultative Organization have affixed their signatures to two authentic copies of the Agreement, the texts in English and French being equally authentic.

For the International  
Atomic Energy Agency

For the Inter-Governmental  
Maritime Consultative Organization

(Signed) Sterling Cole

(Signed) W. Graham

Vienna

London

14 November 1961

13 March 1962