

# Agreement on Coordination and Cooperation Aspects in the Agricultural Field between the Syrian Arab Republic and the Lebanese Republic

[Informal Translation]

The Government of the Syrian Arab Republic,

And

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- Based on the privileged fraternal ties binding the two sister countries.
- Given their belief in the necessity of reaching the widest extent of cooperation and coordination in the agricultural field, for the interest of the both countries.
- In conformity with the provisions of Art. 2 of the Fraternity, Cooperation and Coordination Treaty, concluded between the Lebanese Republic and the Syrian Arab Republic, stipulating the following: "The two states shall work on achieving cooperation and coordination between them in the economic, agricultural, industrial, trade, transportation, communications and customs fields, as well as establishing joint projects and coordinating development plans."
- Based on Article 6, Paragraph 4(a) of the same Treaty stipulating the following:
   "a- The Committee for Economic and Social Affairs shall be formed of ministers of the two states concerned in the economic and social sectors".
- And with reference to the minutes of the meeting held between the ministers of agriculture of both countries in Damascus, in the premises of the Ministry of Agriculture and Agrarian Reform on 8/4/1993, which discussed coordination and cooperation aspects between the two sister countries in the agricultural field,

# Have agreed on the following:

### First:

To exchange experiments and experiences in the field of scientific agricultural research, in both its vegetal and animal constituents as well as in the application field.

### Second:

To coordinate in the field of agricultural and animal quarantine, and the means of preventing and combating the proliferation of diseases and pests.

### Third:

To draw up an integration plan encompassing the following:

- a. Coordinating agricultural production policies;
- b. Working on the uniformity of laws relating to the agricultural sector;
- c. Providing the requisites of agricultural production and agricultural pesticides and fertilizers;
- d. Production of agricultural harvests;
- e. The agricultural agenda (time schedule for product exchange;
- f. Marketing various agricultural products;
- g. The exchange of grants of the surplus production of seedlings.

### Fourth:

To create a joint marketing entity which principles and work mechanism are defined in the draft annexed to this Agreement.



## Fifth:

To consider the establishment of common agricultural projects between the two countries.

This Agreement shall enter into force upon its due ratification by the competent authorities in both the Lebanese Republic and the Syrian Arab republic.

Beirut, on 16/9/1993

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