FIJI SUGAR CORPORATION LTD FIJI

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WITNESS
JEN-MIN KAO
SECRETARY
EAST ASIA TRADE CENTRE LIMITED
REPUBLIC OF CHINA

見證人: 中華民國駐斐濟亞東貿易中心 秘書 高振民 [簽字]

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WITNESS
R.H. YARROW
PERMANENT SECRETARY
MINISTRY OF PRIMARY INDUSTRIES

中華民國政府與斐濟共和國政府間製糖工業技術合作協定 AGREEMENT OF TECHNICAL COOPERATION ON SUGAR INDUSTRY BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF FIJI

> 七十九年四月二十五日簽訂 七十九年四月二十五日生效

Signed on April 25, 1990 Entered into force on April 25, 1990

The Government of the Republic of Fiji and the Government of the Republic of China, in the spirit of friendly relations existing between the two countries and their peoples,

Recognising that the maintenance of these relations constitutes the basis of the provisions of the present Agreement, And

Desiring to enhance and consolidate these relations by means of closer cooperation in the field of agricultural development,

Have agreed as follows:
Scope of the Agreement
Article 1

The Government of the Republic of

China agrees to send to the Republic of Fiji a sugar industry advisory group (hereinafter referred to as "the Group"), composed of one chief and six members, to carry out feasibility studies on reintroducing cane cultivation into Central Division and also the establishment of small sugar and cane juice mills in strategic locations in and around the cane belt for a period of 24—man months.

Article 2

The Group shall provide necessary technical expertise to cater for the various aspects of the two studies that will enable the Republic of Fiji to assess the reintroduction of cane cultivation in the Central Division and the viability of small sugar and cane juice mills. The Government of the Republic of Fiji together with the Group chief shall collabo-

rate in areas of common interest to the two studies, and the Governament of the Republic of Fiji at the end of assignment will be delivered copies of the final draft report of the Group for their consideration.

The Central Division for the purpose of the Group's work shall include all areas which are agronomically feasible for cane cultivation but Group to delineate all other crop boundaries for information. All aspects of cane cultivation shall be investigated together with a turn—key mill operation to manufacture cane from the area. The small sugar and cane juice mills study will focus on the economic needs of such infrastructures with the purpose of facilitating of bulk cane transport.

Obligations of the Parties

Article 3

The Government of the Republic of China agrees:

- (a) to pay salaries, air tickets between Taipei and Suva, living expenses and insurance premiums for all members of the Group during the period of their service in the Republic of Fiji;
- (b) to pay for all members of the Group any other expenses arising from surgery, dental treatment and hospitalisation as well as other medical treatment required to be administered outside the Republic of Fiji;
- (c) to pay all expenses arising from administration of the Group, except as otherwise stated elsewhere in this Agreement;
- (d) to supply the Group with back—up support for the purpose of the study.

Article 4

The Government of the Republic of

Fiji agrees:

- (a) to provide the Group with services of local technical and/or administrative personnel;
- (b) to provide adequate office space with necessary facilities needed for the work of the Group;
- (c) to provide all members of the Group with suitable housing accommodations with essential hard furnishings and supply of water and electricity;
- (d) to provide all members of the Group with necessary visas, working permits and other documents required during their service in the Republic of Fiji;
- (e) to pay expenses of regular medical examinations and treatment for all members of the Group;
- (f) to provide the Group chief with one motor vehicle for official use;
- (g) to provide adequate transportation for the purpose of field visits by the Consultants;
- (h) to provide the Group with such appropriate labour to carry out its programme as may be agreed mutually between the Government of the Republic of Fiji and the Group chief;
- (i) to pay the transportation and subsistence costs of the counterpart staff participating in the projects under this Agreement; and
- (j) to provide the Group with necessary assistance for quarantine purpose in the importation of items as specified in subsection (d) of Article III;
- (k) to provide other necessary back—up support facilities for the purpose of the 2 studies as when required.

Article 5

The Group and its members including chief shall enjoy the following privileges and exemptions during their stay in the Republic of Fiji:

- (a) exemption from income taxes on the salaries and other allowances received from the Government of the Republic of China;
- (b) exemption from import taxes on the furniture and effects of each member and his family including one motor vehicle, imported within six months from the date of his first arrival to take up post in the Republic of Fiji;
- (c) exemption from all duties on professional and technical equipments which shall include a motor vehicle to be used in connection with duties to be performed in the Republic of Fiji;
- (d) exemption from taxes on the importation of all items referred to in Subsection (d) of Article III; and
- (e) other privileges and exemptions no less favourable than those granted to other foreign technicians under technical cooperation agreements with the Republic of Fiji.

General Provisions

Article 6

This Agreement shall enter into force upon signature, and shall remain valid for a period of three (3) year from the date of arrival of the Group in the Republic of Fiji. Either government may terminate it ninety (90) days after notice in writing has been given to the other government.

Article 7

The Agreement and all subsequent supplementary arrangements may be amended by common agreement between the two governments.

In Witness Whereof, the undersigned, duly authorised thereto by their respective governments, have signed this Agreement.

Done in Taipei in duplicate, in the English language, on this Twenty—Fifith day of the Fourth month of the Seventy—Ninth year of the Republic of China, corresponding to the Twenty—Fifth day of April of the year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety.

For the Government of the Republic of China

[Signed] Dr. Lien Chan Minister of Foreign Affairs

For the Government of the Republic of Fiji

[Signed]
Ratu Sir Kamisese K.T. Mara
Prime Minister, Minister for
Home Affairs and Minister for
Foreign Affairs