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The Governments of the People's Republic of Korea, the People's Republic of  
China, and  
the Russian Federation (hereinafter referred to as the "Contracting  
Parties"),  
desiring to  
promote and strengthen cooperation and improve coordination of development  
activities and  
trade in the Tumen River Economic Development Area have agreed as follows:

#### ARTICLE 1 UNDERLYING PRINCIPLES

1.1 The Contracting Parties reaffirm that their cooperation in the  
Tumen  
River  
Economic Development Area is based on the common interests of their  
governments to  
increase mutual benefits, to strengthen economic and technical cooperation  
and

to attain  
greater growth and sustainable development for the peoples and countries in  
the Tumen River  
Economic Development Area.

1.2 The Contracting Parties shall implement this agreement on the basis  
of the  
principles of international laws governing relations between states, notably  
mutual respect of  
the sovereignty and independence of all states, equality, mutual benefit and  
good  
neighborliness.

1.3 The Contracting Parties shall work to ensure that the Tumen River  
Economic  
Development Area is attractive for international investment, trade and  
business.

## ARTICLE 2

### THE TUMEN RIVER AREA DEVELOPMENT COORDINATION COMMITTEE

2.1 The Contracting Parties shall establish a Tumen River Area  
Development  
Coordination Committee hereinafter referred to as the "Committee."

2.2 The Committee shall consult about, and provide coordination for  
social, legal,  
environmental and economic issues raised by any Contracting Party related to  
its sovereign  
rights.

2.3 The Committee shall be composed of a Government official at the  
Vice  
Ministerial level or at such other level as is determined by consensus, and  
three other  
officials from each Contracting Party.

2.4 The Committee shall provide coordination for and advice on economic  
development in the Tumen River Economic Development Area especially as it  
relates to  
trade and investment facilitation. The Committee shall further provide  
coordination for or  
advice to any other intergovernmental entities or organisations established  
by  
the Contracting  
Parties to engage in developmental activities in the Tumen River Economic  
Development  
Area.

2.5 The Committee may establish subordinate entities to facilitate its

work.

2.6 The Committee shall meet twice a year in regular session. If necessary, special sessions may be convened by the Chairman at the request of a Contracting Party.

2.7 The Chairman of the Committee shall serve for one year by rotation among the Contracting Parties in alphabetical order in the English language. The venue of meetings shall be decided by consensus of the Contracting Parties.

2.8 The decisions of the Committee shall be made by consensus of the Contracting Parties.

2.9 The Secretariat of the Committee may coordinate its functions and activities with the Secretariat of the Consultative Commission for the Development of the Tumen River Economic Development Area and Northeast Asia to the extent the Committee believes such coordination will reduce expense and more effectively carry out its mission.

### ARTICLE 3 OTHER PR

### OVISIONS

3.1 For purposes of this Agreement, the Tumen River Economic Development Area shall mean that area in Northeast Asia within the territorial borders of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, the People's Republic of China and the Russian Federation as described in Appendix 1 hereto, i each case as may be modified from time to time by such Contracting Party in its sole discretion upon notice to the other Contracting Parties.

3.2 This Agreement shall be subject to the legal procedures of each Contracting Party's domestic law and shall enter into force on the date of the deposit of the last instrument of such procedure by a Contracting Party with the Secretary General of the United Nations.

3.3 This Agreement shall be valid for a period of ten years from the

date of entry  
into force and be renewed for successive periods of ten years, unless agreed  
otherwise by the  
Contracting Parties.

3.4 Any Contracting Party may propose an amendment to this Agreement.  
Amendment proposals shall be submitted to the Chairman of the Committee who  
shall  
transmit them to Contracting Parties within thirty (30) days of receipt, and  
such proposals  
shall be considered at the earliest feasible regular session of the  
Committee.  
Adoption of an  
amendment shall be by consensus of the Contracting Parties.

3.5 Any Contracting Party may withdraw from this Agreement by giving a  
written  
notice of withdrawal to the other Contracting Parties six (6) months in  
advance. At the end  
of such period, the withdrawal of such Contracting Party shall become  
effective.

This Agreement, done in the English language on 30 May 1995, in Beijing,  
shall be  
deposited with the Secretary General of the United Nations, who shall  
transmit  
a copy to  
each Contracting Party and shall register this Agreement with the Secretariat  
of the United  
Nations.

For the Government of the Democratic  
People's Republic of Korea

Signature:

For the Government of the People's  
Republic of China

Signature:

For the Government of the Russian  
Federation:

Signature:

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