

The Government of Canada and the Government of Ireland,

Considering that it is desirable to establish a framework in the field of film and video co-productions;

Conscious that co-productions can contribute to the further expansion of the film and video production industries of both countries as well as to the development of their cultural and economic exchanges;

Determined to promote and foster the development of cinematographic and audiovisual co-operation between Canada and Ireland for the benefit of their peoples as well as their respective industries; and

Convinced that these exchanges will contribute to the enhancement of the relations between the two countries;

Have agreed as follows:

ARTICLE 1

For the purposes of this Agreement, the word "co-production", refers to projects irrespective of length or format including animation and documentaries, produced either on film, videotape or videodisc, for distribution in theatres, on