

Department of Energy, Mines and Resources of Canada. The United States co-chairman will be a senior officer designated by the United States Department of Agriculture in consultation with the United States National Aeronautics and Space Administration and the United States National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

- (b) The two co-chairmen will convene a meeting of the Steering Committee within three months of the signature of this Memorandum of Understanding to determine an initial programme of work to be carried out subject to the direction of the Steering Committee.
- (c) The Steering Committee will consider the priorities of work to be undertaken under the programme, the means of carrying out the agreed areas of co-operation and the allocation of specific responsibilities to the Parties. It will meet periodically thereafter to review progress and results.
- (d) Standing and ad hoc sub-committees of the Steering Committee may be formed for specific purposes.
- (e) An annual review meeting will be convened by the Steering Committee.

4. The Parties will exchange experience and information in specified subject areas, under the procedures and conditions outlined in the attached Annex. The primary aim is to provide for an organized exchange of information which may be extended, by mutual agreement, to an exchange of visits and of staff for specified periods, and to joint projects. Each Party will bear its own travel costs and related expenses under the programme.

5. It is understood that the programme of co-operation envisaged under this Memorandum of Understanding will be carried out for a period of three years and for any subsequent experimental follow-on periods as may be mutually agreed upon by the Parties subject to the approval of the Governments of Canada and of the United States of America.

6. Parties to the Memorandum of Understanding signify their concurrence below. This Memorandum of Understanding will enter into force when signed by the Parties and approved by the Governments of Canada and of the United States of America through an exchange of diplomatic Notes. The Memorandum of Understanding will be reviewed by the Steering Committee no less frequently than every twelve months to ensure that the overall objectives of the programme are being achieved.

DONE in two copies at Washington, this 14th day of March 1978, in the English and French languages, each text being equally authentic.

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