

AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE FRENCH REPUBLIC CONCERNING THE PROMOTION OF FILM AND VIDEO CO-PRODUCTION PROJECTS IN THE FIELD OF ANIMATION

The Government of Canada and The Government of the French Republic

Desirous of promoting film and video co-operation between Canada and France in the field of animation through concrete measures aimed at achieving works of high calibre.

Have agreed as follows:

ARTICLE I

For the purposes of the present Agreement, the term "film and video production", means animated film and video productions of any length and on any technical medium co-produced for any means of film and video distribution.

ARTICLE II

1. Film and video production projects may benefit from selective financial assistance from each of the two countries in accordance with the procedures set out below and the legislation in force in each of the two States.

2. These film and video production projects must be eligible for co-production benefits under the terms of the France/Canada Agreement concerning Cinematographic Relations of May 30, 1983, or the France/Canada Agreement concerning Television Relations of July 11, 1983.

3. These film and video production projects must be of mutual interest in both countries and must contribute to the quality of animated film and video production.

ARTICLE III

1. In principle, each of the Parties shall provide selective financial assistance to the same number of majority projects. To that end, an overall balance must be achieved by the Parties between the amounts that they each pay to carry out film and video production projects that benefit from the selective financial assistance under the terms of this Agreement.

2. Each of the Parties shall provide, within its budgetary assets, a selective financial assistance for the film and video co-productions under the present Agreement. The maximum amount provided by each Party for all co-productions is \$500,000 by the Canadian Party and 3,000,000 FF by the French Party.